

Fifth Grade Summer Reading Response Questions

Answer the following questions **while** you are reading *Wonder*. You may handwrite your thoughts on writing paper, or you may type your responses. Staple the pages when you are finished. This “journal” of reflective responses will be collected in September. Please do not answer ANY of the prompts before reading at least three to four chapters. Some responses may only be appropriate when you reach the end of the book.

The prompts below will help you to reflect on your thoughts *while reading*. There are no wrong answers. Take a risk and say what you are thinking.

Write a response to **ten** of the prompts below. You may use one or two response questions twice, or choose ten separate ones.

1. Most important or interesting character and **why**.
2. What is the setting? Why is the setting important to the story?
3. What do you know about the plot so far?
4. What questions would you ask the author if you could?
5. What new or interesting words have you found? What do they mean?
6. Read a selection as though you were the main character (person you read to should sign).
7. Discuss what makes this a fiction or a non-fiction book.
8. Discuss why the title is a good choice or not.
9. What type of person would enjoy this book and why?
10. Would you recommend this book? Why or why not?
11. Finish this sentence: This book reminds me of..... (explain why).
12. Make a prediction about what will happen next and why.
13. Discuss a recommendation you have for the author.
14. Retell a part of the story in your own words.
15. Draw a picture to match a “scene” in the story.
16. Discuss the main event (climax) and what leads up to the main event.
17. Compare / contrast two characters in the book.
18. Give your book a rating 1-5 (1 being not so good and 5 being very good.) and discuss **why** you give this rating.

Each time you finish two or three chapters, stop to reflect on some of the prompts. Return to your journal and begin a written response. Pick anything that you feel you are able to write about at that time. Then close the journal and return to it after you read more of the book. Do not cram all the questions in at once. That is not a reflection. Responses may be any length, yet they must be informative. A paragraph-sized response is appropriate verses just a sentence. For personal thoughts and reactions, there is no limit to the length. **All writing should be in complete sentences.**

Enjoy your reading experiences this summer! Take a journey with some new characters!

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