

Reflection Writing

Reflection is different than summary. You will not receive credit for the litblog's reflection section if you simply summarize in more detail. Reflection means to think deeply about something. How does the night's reading impact you? What predictions can you make about what will happen next? What questions does the reading raise? What are the deeper ideas behind the night's reading? How can you apply the reading's principles to your life? Look below for more ideas on what to write in your reflection.

Sentence Starters:

1. I wonder what this means...
2. I really don't understand the part when...
3. I really like/dislike this idea because...
4. This character reminds me of somebody I know because...
5. This character reminds me of myself because...
6. This character is like (name of character) in (title of book) because...
7. I think this setting is important because...
8. This scene reminds me of a similar scene in (title of book) because...
9. I like/dislike this author's writing because....
10. This part is very realistic/unrealistic because....
11. I think the relationship between _____ and _____ is interesting because...
12. This section makes me think about _____, because...
13. I like/dislike (name of character) because...
14. This situation reminds me of a similar situation in my own life. It happened when...
15. The character I most admire is _____ because...
16. If I were (name of character) at this point, I would...
17. I wish _____ had happened...
18. I wish the author had included....
19. My opinion of (name of character) is...
20. As I read, I felt...
21. Questions I have after reading are...
22. Something I learned from my reading...
23. A prediction I have for what may happen next is _____. I think these things will happen because...(What details in the section support your prediction?)
24. I began to think of...
25. I love the way...
26. I can't believe...
27. I wonder why...
28. I noticed...
29. I think....
30. I was furious when...
31. I'm not sure about...
32. My favorite character is _____ because...(tell why)
33. I like the way the author...
34. I felt sad when...
35. I wish that...

36. _____ made me think of...
37. I was surprised...
38. It seems like...
39. I'm not sure....
40. This story teaches...
41. I began to think of...
42. My favorite part of the book...
43. The most important thing I learned about _____ is...
44. Something I would still like to know about _____ is...
45. If I could be one of the characters in this story, it would be _____ because...
46. If I could talk to the author of this book, I would tell him/her...
47. I chose to read this book because...

Questions to consider...

48. What were your feelings after reading the opening chapter of this book?
49. Did this book make you laugh? cry? cringe? smile? cheer? Explain.
50. What connections are there between the book and your life? Explain.
51. Who should or shouldn't read this book? Why?
52. What is the best part of the book? Why? What is the worst part? Why?
53. What parts of the book seem most believable or unbelievable? Why?
54. What makes you wonder in this book? What confuses you?
55. Do any of the characters remind you of friends, family members, classmates, or yourself?
Explain.
56. Which character would you like to be in this book? Why?
57. Do you think the title fits the book? Why or why not?
58. What was the author's purpose for writing this book?
59. Has the book helped you in any way? Explain.
60. How have you changed after reading this book? Explain
61. What do you know now that you didn't know before?
62. What questions in this book would you like answered?
63. What type of reader would enjoy this book and why?
64. If you could step into the book, what's the first thing you would do?
65. If you were making this book into a movie, what part(s) would you cut out or change? Why?