**Third and Fourth Quarter Reader's Response Journal Prompts**

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| **Visualizing** | 1. Draw a visualization of the main setting in your book.  2. Make an 8 section comic book strip with captions showing the main events from the story.  3. Think about what you just read. Draw the most important part from that chapter to show the  picture you were visualizing in your mind. |
| **Questioning** | 1. After reading, I wonder ...  2. I don't understand ...  3. List 4 questions you have for one of the characters you would like to meet in real life.  4. I am confused about ... because ... |
| **Determining**  **Importance** | 1. In one paragraph, state the main idea of your book.  2. What do you think the most important part of your book has been thus far or after reading?  3. In this chapter/story the main event was ...  4. Describe the author's purpose by explaining why the author wrote this story. |
| **Theme** | 1. Identify the theme (the message the author wants you to get) of this book. Use at least 2 examples to support your response.  2. Describe how the character's struggle helped you identify the theme. |
| **Summarizing** | 1. Paraphrase (summarize in your own words) the beginning of your book.  2. Summarize the last chapter of your book in a paragraph. |
| **Synthesizing** | 1. I was most surprised when ... because ...  2. Explain how you can apply what you've learned from this book in your life.  3. How would you change your own "real life" to be more like the world in your story?  4. I would change this part of the story ... because ... |
| **Book Responses** | 1. Create a WANTED poster for the antagonist (someone who is against the protagonist, or  hero, in your book).  2. Write a letter to someone recommending this book.  3. Is this book title a good one or a poor one and why?  4. You're a movie critique. Critique this book as if it were a movie. Write a paragraph  supporting your opinion with examples from the text. Don't forget to give it a rating!  5. I admire ...  6. I thought it was funny when ...  7. Create your own design for the front and back covers of the novel.  8. What was the most boring part of the novel? What would you change about it to make it  more exciting for the reader? |