



Summer Reading Response Journal

Track your summer reading by completing the following pages on your independent and required books.

Independent Book Choice

TITLE: _____ Author: _____

Genre (type of work): _____ # of pages: _____

Brief Summary: _____

Favorite or least favorite part: _____

Rating: ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

Check the **required novel** you read and complete the following journal entries. Return to your teacher when school begins.

- 5th WILDERNESS HACKS by Joslin Brorsen
- 6th GREYSTONE SECRETS #1: THE STRANGERS by Margaret Haddix
- 7th THE SEVENTH MOST IMPORTANT THING by Shelley Pearsal
- 8th UNBROKEN: YOUNG READERS EDITION by Laura Hillenbrand

Write setting details here:

Place of the story (city/town/location)

A List of Character Traits:

active
adventurous
affectionate
afraid
ambitious
angry
annoyed
anxious
argumentative
astonished
attentive
babyish
bewildered
bored
bossy
brave
brilliant
busy
calm
capable
careful
cautious
charismatic
charming
cheerful
childish
clever
clumsy
cold-hearted
compassionate
competitive
conceited
concerned
confident

confused
conscientious
considerate
cooperative
courageous
cowardly
critical
cross
cruel
curious
dangerous
daring
dependable
determined
discouraged
dishonest
disrespectful
doubtful
eager
easygoing
efficient
embarrassed
energetic
enthusiastic
exciting
fair
faithful
fidgety
fierce
foolish
friendly
frustrated
funny
generous

gentle
glamorous
gloomy
greedy
grouchy
happy
hateful
helpful
hopeful
hopeless
humorous
ignorant
imaginative
impolite
impulsive
inactive
independent
insistent
intelligent
jealous
jovial
lazy
logical
lonely
loving
loyal
lucky
mature
mean
meticulous
moody
mysterious
nervous
noisy

obedient
obnoxious
observant
optimistic
peaceful
persistent
pessimistic
picky
pleasant
polite
popular
precise
proud
puzzled
quick
quiet
reliable
relieved
respectful
responsible
restless
rowdy
rude
sarcastic

satisfied
scared
secretive
selfish
self-reliant
sensitive
silly
sincere
skillful
sly
smart
sneaky
snobbish
sociable
stingy
strange
strict
stubborn
studious
sweet
tactful
talented
talkative
tasteful

tenacious
terrified
thankful
thoughtful
thoughtless
thrifty
timid
tolerant
touchy
trusting
trustworthy
uncontrolled
unfriendly
unselfish
upset
useful
valiant
versatile
vivacious
vulgar
warm-hearted
weak
wise
witty
worried

Draw some character doodles here:

Characters and Character Details

Directions: Write the names of the characters as they appear in the book. Use the provided list to identify character traits and add details.

Character 1: Traits:	Details:
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Character 2: Traits:	Details:
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Character 3: Traits:	Details:
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Character 4: Traits:	Details:
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Character 5: Traits:	Details:
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Character 6: Traits:	Details:
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Plot

Directions: As the story unfolds, we follow the characters' journey. Pick 6-9 of the most important actions/events from the book. If you need more space, use the back of the page. Include page numbers where possible.

The form consists of a 3x3 grid of rounded rectangular boxes, each intended for a plot point. The boxes are arranged in three rows and three columns. Each box is connected to the next one in the sequence by a light blue arrow pointing to the right. The sequence of boxes is as follows:

- Row 1: Box 1 (left) → Box 2 (middle) → Box 3 (right)
- Row 2: Box 4 (left) → Box 5 (middle) → Box 6 (right)
- Row 3: Box 7 (left) → Box 8 (middle) → Box 9 (right)

The arrows connect the right side of one box to the left side of the next box in the sequence, indicating a chronological flow of events.

Theme, Conflict and Resolutions

Theme: List/Explain	Characters Involved	Conflict	Conflict Resolved? How?

Theme Topics:

Acceptance
Adoption
Ambition
Art
Beauty
Betrayal
Birth
Bravery
Change
Communication
Death
Death
Discovery
Divorce

Dreams
Equality
Fairness
Family
Friendship
Good vs. Evil
Greed growing up
Happiness
Hate
Honesty
Hope
Immortality
Justice
Kindness
Loneliness

Love
Moving
Nature
Peer pressure
Rumors
School life
Self-esteem
Suffering
Survival
Teamwork
Trust
War
Wealth
Wisdom
Youth

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What was the most memorable part of the book? Explain.

Did you enjoy this book? Give reasons for your answer.

Draw an illustration from the book as you visualized it.

List and define three new words you learned from the book.

1.

2.

3.