

Reading Response Journal

For your novel, you are going to keep a Reading Response Journal. For each chapter, you will choose one of the following styles to write in your journal.

- 1) Summary: write a summary of the chapter or of a significant event in the chapter. You must do 5 of these from your reading...but you choose the chapters.
- 2) Historical Connection: Choose an event that is mentioned or a name that is historically relevant. Investigate this event or name and write a brief summary of what you learn in your notebooks.
- 3) Quote – interpret and comment: Choose a quote (or a pair of quotes) from a chapter that seems to be significant to you or that you like because it speaks to you and your understanding of the reading. Write a commentary about this quote.
- 4) Critical Thinking – Think of questions that arise through your reading of the text. Is there something that doesn't make sense or that you want to know? Write the question down AND try to answer it.
- 5) CREATIVE: you must include 5 *creative* entries. These entries will break from the normal 'written' entry and may include drawings, paintings, collages, cartoons, etc. If you are not particularly artistic, then you might also include a poem or another written form that would not otherwise be one of the first 4 options.

THESE WILL BE COMPLETED ON A REGULAR BASIS. THE GRADE FOR THESE WILL NOT BE APPLIED UNTIL BIMESTER 4.