Independent Reading Menu

You must select one activity from each column to complete as a part of your Independent Reading Assignment. Your activities must be typed using MLA formatting and must adhere to Mrs. LaFlamme's classroom expectations (no fatal errors!). If you select an option that requires drawing, it must be submitted on a clean sheet of paper. Be sure to indicate the activity number and the title of your book.

| 1.1 Make a list of at least three predictions for the book - think about characters, setting, and genre. As you read the first few chapters, write down whether your predictions were accurate. | 2.1 List three characters in the book so far. Describe their physical appearance, importance to the story, and character traits. | 3.1 Write a letter to a character in the book. Include your reaction to the events in the book, your feelings about the character's choices, and what you think the character should do now. | 4.1 Theme is the underlying message of a piece of text. Write a paragraph to express what you think is the theme of this book. | 5. Choose five interesting or unusual words from the book. List the words, their definitions, one synonym, and how it is used in a sentence. Include the page # for each word. |
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| 1.2 Write a list of at least five events that happened within the first few chapters. Make a prediction about what the conflict, or problem, will be. | 2.2 Make a list of six events in the story. What caused each event? What was the effect of each event? | 3.2 Think about the relationship of the setting to the story. Could this story have happened in another place? Why or why not? | 4.2 Style is the way an author writes a text. How do you feel about the author's style in this book? Is it formal or informal? Do you like the way the sentences sound? | |
| 1.3 The first few chapters of a book often contain a detailed description of the setting. Find a page with setting details. Draw a picture of the setting. Label at least five specific details from the text. | 2.3 Describe an exciting event from the book as if you were a sports broadcaster. | 3.3 How was the conflict resolved in the book? Did it end up the way you expected? If you were disappointed with the resolution, provide a solution that you feel would have been better. | 4.3 Often, characters change as a result of events in the novel. Describe the changes that a character went through in this book. | |