

Reading Response Journal Prompts 3rd quarter 2005-2006

In the third quarter, each response is worth 5 points: 2 points for a plot summary of the section they just read (3-5 sentences) and 3 points for the reflection. The third quarter reader response journal entries are written below:

1-24-06: No plot summary. This journal looks at the whole of the story up to the point you've read.

protagonist = the main character of the story

antagonist = the character or characters who struggle against the protagonist

motive = the reason why a character acts in a certain way, his/her motivation

1) Identify the protagonist and antagonist of the the story

2) What does your protagonist want and how does the author communicate what the protagonist wants.

1-30-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 2 hours of reading. How does your protagonist make decisions? What process does he/she/they follow? What process do you follow when you make decisions?

2-2-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour and 20 min. Author's craft: How does the author portray strong emotions in the protagonist? What kinds of strong emotions does your protagonist feel?

2-6-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour and 20 min. Author's craft: How does the author get you to care about what happens to your protagonist?

2-10-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour and 20 min. Definition of culture: attitudes, behaviors, beliefs, and language of a group of people What culture is represented in your book?

2-13-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour and 20 min. Reflection: Free choice

3rd quarter midterm total is 30 points.

3-13-06: No plot summary. This entry represents one month's worth of reading. Compare and contrast your protagonist at the beginning of the book with the protagonist at the end of the book. How does the main character change throughout the book? Give specific examples from the story.

3-16-06: Plot summary 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour.
Reflection: Culture is the attitudes, behaviors, beliefs, customs, and values of a group of people. The author has created a culture in your story that may or may not be similar to our culture here in Ashford. Please compare and contrast the culture in your book with the culture in which you live.

3-20-06: Plot Summary: 3-5 sentences. This journal entry represents 1 hour and 20 min.
Reflection: Free choice.

From 3-23-06 to the end of the quarter we are reading and responding to *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*.