



Journal Entry Question Bank

Journal Entry Requirements: Answers must be handwritten on notebook paper. Answers must be at least 6 sentences in length, and must be titled as follows -

Name/Date:

Title/Author:

Journal Prompt/Question:

1. Describe a conflict (external or internal) in the story. The conflict could be between characters, between characters and nature, or between a character and him/herself. How would you respond if this happened to you? Who would you go to for advice? Explain your response.
2. What does the story teach you about human behavior, or what life lessons are expressed in the story? What lesson did you learn from this? How can you apply this lesson to your own life? Provide text examples/specific details to support your responses. Be sure to explain.
3. If you could become one character in the story, who would it be and why? What personality traits and/or physical features attract you to this character? What does this character have that you admire? If you could select one actor to play one of the characters in the story, who would it be and why? Consider physical characteristics and personality traits in your response. Be sure to explain.
4. Choose one section from the story that you liked. Explain why this section appealed to you. Illustrate a scene from this section. Your illustration may be a realistic sketch or symbolic. Explain how your illustration represents what you liked about this section.
5. Summarize and explain the ending of the story. Create a new ending.
6. Compare and contrast this story to another story/book you have read. How are the plots similar and different? How are the main characters alike or different (both physically and emotionally)? How are the endings alike and different? Be sure to explain.
7. Write a letter to one of the characters that you liked in the story. What would you say to this character? Include several questions for the character to answer. If you could give advice to one character in the book, who would it be and why? Be sure to reference a particular conflict.
8. Choose a character, event, or conflict, and write a poem, song, or other creative piece that symbolically represents your choice. Be sure to explain how your choice symbolically represents your character, event, or conflict.
9. Select one socially relevant topic discussed in the story. State and defend your position on the topic. Provide facts to support the way you feel. What values and ethics support your position? Be sure to explain.
10. What is the setting of the story? List examples from the story that reveal or support the setting, such as music, language, clothing, food, recreation, and geographical features. Be sure to explain.