



Home Reading Log Procedures

All students are to read any grade-level appropriate chapter book for 20-30 minutes each night, and write down the date, title, author, and pages read. Every Friday evening after reading, students are to write a response entry following the format shown below. The response should be based on the reading that was done for homework during the week, and should be written on the same paper as the record of pages read for those days. Please use a sheet of 8 1/2" x 11" lined notebook paper and follow the format shown below. Your response should show that you spent time thinking about what you read. Although a certain length is not required, your response should fully address the topic you have chosen. All responses **MUST** be in neat, cursive handwriting with grade level words spelled correctly. Remember to use descriptive language. Extra points will be given to students who take risks with new vocabulary and show higher level thinking skills. The HRL is due when you return to school on Monday morning.

Topic: You may choose from any of the topics below, in any order, but all topics should be used before topics are repeated.

Topic Options:

1. Tell about your favorite part of the story. Were you surprised by what happened? What do you predict might happen next?
2. Tell about the characters in the story. Describe who they are, what they look like, how they feel, and how they act. How could they affect the story?
3. Tell about the setting of the story (when and where it happens). Would you like to visit that place? How would the story change if it were set in a different place or time?
4. Does the story remind you of something you have read or experienced before? Tell about your memory or experience using lots of details.
5. Identify your book as either Narrative or Expository. Explain the attributes or features that helped you decide which one it is.

Follow this format on your lined paper:

(Name and student #☞) Sally Jones #18
(Assignment ☞) HRL
(Days/Dates☞) Monday 1-30-12
to Friday 2-3-12

Book Title: The Giver

Author: Lois Lowry

Monday, 1-30-12: Pages 1-25

Tuesday, 1-31-12: Pages 26-32

Wednesday, 2-1-12: Pages 33-59

Thursday, 2-2-12: Pages 60-74

Friday, 2-11-12: Pages 75-85

(Skip a line before beginning to write your response on a topic chosen from the list above.)