

Third Grade Reading Response Questions

You must respond four times for each book you read: before you read, after the beginning of the book, in the middle of the book, and at the end of the book. Before you read, develop a plan for where you will stop to think and write about your reading.

Beginning of Your Book Questions (Choose 1):

- 1) What did the author do to get you interested in the book? (All)
- 2) What have you discovered about the main character(s) so far? (Fiction)
- 3) What do you know about where and when the story takes place? (Fiction)
- 4) Do you have any hunches about what might happen next? Why? (Fiction)
- 5) What do you want to learn from this book? (Non-Fiction)

Middle of Your Book Questions (Choose 1):

- 1) In what ways has the main character changed since the beginning of the book? Why? (Fiction)
- 2) What happened in the story that surprised you? (Fiction)
- 3) What is the main problem in the story? (Fiction)
- 4) If you could speak to one of the characters in your book, what might you say to them? (Fiction)
- 5) Does the author include opinion and fact statements into the book? Find examples of each. (Non-fiction)

Finished with Your Book Questions (Choose 1):

- 1) Did the story end the way you expected it to? Why or why not? (Fiction)
- 2) What can you imagine will happen to the character(s) after the story ended? Why do you think so? (Fiction)
- 3) Did the book leave you with unanswered questions? What are these? (All)
- 4) Is the title a good choice for this book? Why or why not? What would be another good title? Why? (All)
- 5) If you could talk to the author, what would you say and ask? Why? (All)