

Fifth Grade Reading Responses

Each week, you will respond in writing to one book you are reading. It may be a book from home or from school. For homework, you will have one week to finish one response. You may write more than one response if you wish. You will hand in your response(s) every Thursday. Later in the school year you will be given an assigned day to hand in your response (don't worry about that yet).

At that time you will also hand in your weekly reading log. You are required to read 80 minutes per week. That means you need to read 15 minutes each night.

Your book response will have a focus of your choice. It will be created by you in your Reading Journal. It may be written in the form of:

- ✿ A graphic organizer
- ✿ A RACES response
- ✿ A letter to me or a friend

You can write about a book you are in the midst of reading, or a book you just completed.

The Book Response Idea List has suggestions for your book responses, so you must use the list as a resource when writing your responses.

Each of your responses is required to have.

Book Response

Your Name

Your Focus

Date

Book Title

Author

Here is an example:

Book Response	Mrs. Kriebel
Character Traits	September 2, 2010
<u>Esperanza Rising</u>	
Pam Ryan	

Your response will be scored by you and me, using the Reading Rubric we use in class. Please write your own score at the bottom of your response before it is submitted.

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- ✱ Thorough understanding of the text.
- ✱ Complete answer
- ✱ Thorough evidence cited, with 3 or more supporting details/examples from the text.
- ✱ Elaboration

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- ✱ Partial understanding
- ✱ Partial answer, mostly correct
- ✱ Some evidence cited, with 2 relevant supporting details/examples from the text
- ✱ Some elaboration

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- ✱ Incomplete understanding
- ✱ Limited answer, may have errors
- ✱ Minimal evidence cited, with 1 relevant supporting detail/example from the text
- ✱ Little or no elaboration
- ✱ Mostly copied text
- ✱ Retelling

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- ✱ No understanding demonstrated
- ✱ All copied text
- ✱ Unrelated response

Please remember to write legibly so I can read your response and give you an appropriate score.