

Critical Reader Thoughts

Critical Reader Thoughts can be:

1. ***authentic questions***—questions you really wonder about—that you have about some aspect of your reading,
2. ***connections*** that you make between the reading and your own experiences, other things you have read, and/or your understanding of the world,
3. ***insights*** from something you have noticed in your reading, or
4. ***predictions*** about what you think will happen in the story.

After you have finished writing in your response log, choose one or two of the following aspects of the story and list three or four Critical Reader Thoughts:

- Characters and/or characterizations
- Setting(s)
- Plot events
- Theme(s)
- Mood or emotional feeling(s)
- Use of language
- Illustrations