

BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION PREPARATION

Your Name: _____ Book: _____

Author: _____

Other Group Members:

Assignment:

1. Complete assigned reading and prepare for discussion by filling out **one page** with your answers to **ALL** of the following questions as they pertain to your reading:
 - a. What issues/questions merit discussion in this section? (write several discussion questions)
 - b. What passages did I find particularly striking, confusing, or important?
 - c. How can I connect this reading to other things I know/that we have read throughout this year?
 - d. What new/interesting words, metaphors, or language devices did I notice while reading? (define them if unknown)
2. Participate actively in group discussion on Book Group days (this includes taking notes on your discussion).

Assessment: see rubric

Grades: Your grade will be your own. You are responsible for the quality of your own work and the thoroughness of your personal preparation. **Book Group Notes will be collected after every book group discussion**, unless otherwise stated.

BOOK GROUP MEETING # _____ :

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BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION RECORD

Date: _____ Book Title: _____ Group Name: _____

Discussion Leader: _____ Scribe: _____

Other Group Members Present: _____

Group Members Absent: _____

MAIN IDEAS GENERATED FROM BOOK CLUB MEMBERS: Please write a one-sentence summary of the most significant ideas or questions contributed by each book club member. Write the group member's name beside his/her idea or question.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

TODAY'S QUESTION(S):

YOUR CONCLUSIONS:

RUBRIC FOR BOOK GROUP WORK

STANDARD	DOES NOT MEET STANDARD	MEETS STANDARD	EXCEEDS STANDARD
Reading is completed on time, before the meeting.			cannot exceed
Preparation notes are completed as homework.			cannot exceed
Student has book, notes, and a pen/pencil out on desk at all times during discussion.			cannot exceed
Student shares discussion time with all group members and does not dominate group discussion.			cannot exceed
Preparation notes are thorough and show evidence of careful and thoughtful reading.			
Student uses questions prepared as homework to encourage others to participate.			
Student takes notes (on the back of that day's sheet) on the group's discussion.			
Student participates actively in discussion.			
Student listens actively in discussion.			
Group engages in sustained discussion for the allotted class time, using strategies for extending discussion as necessary (and uses extra time, on the <i>few</i> occasions that discussions finish early, to read ahead).			

Explanation of Rubric: Your Book Group work will be graded on a 100 point scale. If you meet the standard in all ten categories you will receive an 84. You may earn up to three additional points or lose up to ten points per category. If a category is completely missing, you will automatically lose ten points. Group projects will be graded separately. Your actual grade is your own and not the average of your group's grade.

Your Grade: _____