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**Discussion Director**

**Job Description:**

Write questions for your group to discuss. The questions should have to do with the section of the book you're reading. Be sure your questions are interesting and open-ended so everyone will be able to answer it in their own way, share their thoughts and support their thoughts with evidence from the story. It is also your job to keep the group focused and on task, decide the order for sharing jobs, and make sure that everyone gets a turn to speak.

**Examples of possible questions to ask:**

How do we know that Blue Fox grew to be a responsible person? What did he have to overcome?

Why does Lisa still doubt herself even after he father assured her she did nothing wrong?

Why does Fausto put the $20 bill in the church collection basket rather than keeping it?

**When you meet with your group:**

You will read your questions to the group and give everyone a chance to answer.

After everyone has answered, share your answer with the group.

**Page set up for Discussion Director:**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pages:\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Job Due Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Question #1:**

**My answer:**

**My evidence:**

**Question #2:**

**My answer:**

**My evidence:**

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Artful Artist

Job Description:

After reading, draw a picture of one scene from the section of the book you're reading. It can be your favorite part or a part you thought was very important to the story. Your picture should be colorful and have lots of details. Please use crayons or colored pencils when illustrating and fill the page.

Write a paragraph (at least 5 sentences) to inform your group about the part of the story you illustrated.

Use this prompt to help you write your paragraph or come up with your own paragraph. Conventions, word choice and organization all count!

My illustration shows an important part from chapter\_\_\_\_\_ on page \_\_\_\_ in the book \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. In this picture, I have illustrated the part of the story when\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I chose this part to illustrate because\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (You should have at least two reasons. Be sure to tell who the characters are and what is happening.)

**When you meet with your group:**

Have members of the group try to describe what's happening in your picture and then share your paragraph.

**Page set up for Artful Artist: (2 pages)**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Your Illustration!**

**Pages:\_\_ to \_\_ Job Due Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Paragraph**



Sensational Summarizer

Job Description:

Write a summary that describes what happened in this section of the book in 8 to 10 sentences.

Be sure you write in complete sentences and include lots of details. Punctuation, spelling and grammar are important. Your writing should fill at least three quarters of a page. Be sure to include specific characters names rather than just using “he” or “she”. Your summary should tell the who, what, where, when, why of the reading selection.

**When you meet with your group:**

You will read the summary to the group. Read slowly and speak clearly. Ask the group to tell you about other important parts you may have missed. Also, have each person tell you about their favorite part.

**Page set up for Sensational Summarizer:**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pages:\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Job Due Date:**

**Summary**

**In this section of the book, Charlotte Doyle boards the ship for America…..**

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Word Wizard

Job Description:

Your job is to search for words in this section of the book that you (or others in your group) might not know. After you find challenging words, tell where they are used in the story and find the definitions. Use the definition list to help you discover the meaning of the new words.

**When you meet with your group:**

First, share the vocabulary word you found. Have the group find the word on the page from the assigned reading. Then, call on one or two people to share what they think the word means. After they share possible definitions, you can tell them the real meaning of the word that matches the story. You should select at least two vocabulary words to share.

**Page set-up for Word Wizard**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pages:\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Job Due Date:**

Word #1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Page Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Copy the entire sentence in which you found the word.

What I think it means:

Actual Definition from the dictionary that matches best in this sentence to this story:

Word #2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Page Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Copy the entire sentence in which you found the word.

What I think it means:

Actual definition from the dictionary that matches best in this sentence to this story:

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**Literary Luminary**

Job Description:

Your job is to locate one special section or quotation in the text for your group to talk over. Mark your selection with a sticky note in your book. The idea is to help people go back to some especially interesting, powerful, funny, puzzling, or important section of the reading and think about it more deeply. As you decide which passage or paragraph is worth going back to, write why you picked it and decide how it should be shared. You can read a passage aloud yourself, ask someone else to read them, or have people read them silently and then discuss.

**When you meet with your group:**

Share the section with the group but do not share yet why you picked it. Ask people to share why they think you picked that selection and what they think about the selection. Why is it meaningful to the story? Is it particularly descriptive? Then, share your reasons.

**Page set-up for Literary Luminary**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pages:\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Job Due Date:**

Selection:

Page #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Paragraph #:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How will I share?

Why did I choose this selection? How is it meaningful to the story? (Complete sentences)

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**Creative Connector**

**Job Description:**

Your job is to find a connection to the theme of the book and share it with your group. As you read, keep in mind the big themes of the story. In a story, there are main themes that flow throughout the text. Some examples are: good vs. evil, overcoming fear, learning from mistakes, and growth and change in difficult times. Find at least one place in this part of the story that connects to the theme. It could be something a character says or does or it could be something that happens to the character that they must react to.

Themes in *Julie of the Wolves* : Connecting with Nature, Growth and Change in Difficult Times, Having Courage, Survival

Themes in *My Side of the Mountain*: Connecting with Nature, Growth and Change in Difficult Times, Survival, Wanting Independence, Solitude vs. Society

**When you meet with your group:**

Read the selection aloud to the group. Ask the group members to share why they think that you chose this selection and which theme it connects to and why. Once they have shared their thinking, read the passage again and explain your thinking. Your connection to the theme should be strong and completely explained.

**Page set-up for Creative Connector**

**Name (first and last) Date**

**Title of Book:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pages:\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Job Due Date:**

Selection One:

Page #: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Paragraph #:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The main theme of the story which this connect to is \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

This passage connects to the theme because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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