Reading Response

RETELL IDEAS:

· Summarize briefly the main ideas of what happened in the book
· Who is the most important character? Why is he/she important to the story?

REFLECT IDEAS:

· This story helps me understand the problem of...better because.....
· What do you know now that you didn't know before?
· What questions in this book would you like answered?
· What came as a surprise in the book? Why?
· Do you think the title fits the book? Why or why not?
· Do you like the ending of the book? Why or why not?
· Would you recommend this book? Why?
· Which character would you like to be in this book? Why?
· What do I notice about characters, setting, and point of view?
· My favorite character so far is (or was).......because.....
· Something unrealistic or too coincidental in the story is........
· Do you like or dislike any of the characters? Why?
· Is there anything that you don't understand?
· Why is (an event/setting) important to the story?
· Did you expect this to happen?

RELATE IDEAS:

·   How would you handle the same situation?

·   Has this happened to you or anyone you know?

·   Does it remind you of another book/movie?

·   Did this passage make you laugh? Cry? Cringe? Smile? Cheer? Explain.

·   What connections are there between the book and your life? Explain.

·   Do any of the characters remind you of friends, family members, or classmates? Explain.

· Have I ever felt the same emotions as the characters? (Explain the why and how you felt the same in 1-2 sentences.)

·   Have I ever had a similar experience as the characters? (Explain how and why in 1-2 sentences.)

·   If it's a story relating to the Holocaust or a difficult situation they can't relate to, think about if you have witnessed any of your friends being teased or discriminated against or treated poorly. Have you ever been treated poorly in any way? How did that make you feel? Also you can talk about the feeling of being alone.

OTHER:

·   Do you think the character/s will change in the story? (predict)

·   How do you feel about the story so far?

·   If I was the author, I'd change…..

·   What do you think will happen next? (predict)