

Responding to your Reading

On a clean white sheet of paper and then in your Visual Journal. (A draft is always a good idea!)

Retell (some things to write about)

- Retell what you have read.
- Summarize what you have read.
- Describe the major ideas.
- List the sequence of ideas or events.
- Describe the most significant and relevant parts.
- Describe parts that you find confusing, attempt to work out their meaning through your writing, and formulate questions about them.

Choose one or two ideas from each section (retell, relate and reflect) and write a paragraph of 5 or 6 sentences to cover the idea. Present your page in a creative way.

Relate (some things to write about)

- Make connections between the text and your own life (personal experiences, feelings, etc.), other texts (books, music, films, television, websites), or the world at large (current events). Relate your thoughts about the

Reflect (some things to write about)

- The reason you selected this text.
- Why this text is important to you.
- The author's conclusions.
- Your judgement about the text/author's inclusions.
- Your opinions about the ideas/events in the text
- Your opinions about the style of the text compared to other texts similar genres.
- Your judgement about the credibility of the text.
- Whether you feel the text is current and/or accurate.
- Whether reading the text has changed the way you feel or think about something, and if so, how?
- Any relevant questions you have.
- How reading this text has or has not met the learning goals you set for yourself.

You need to...

- **Collect and record 10 interesting or odd or new words from you reading. (If they do not fit on the page or with your artwork, you can record them in your Writing Folder.)**
- **Use images or symbols to share your ideas.**
- **Include the author's name and title of the book.**
- **Record the number of the reading response on the top of the page. (For example, RR#2.)**