

## Reader Response Journal Prompt

Part of being a successful reader is being an active reader. The reader response journal will help you to engage with the text and make meaning from complicated stories. Some of the prompts are simple while others require more critical thinking.

- ✓ Make sure that you label each assignment. (e.g. Reader Response Journal #1)
- ✓ Follow the format in the example below. You need to include both the type and the page number.
- ✓ I will specify the number of responses you need before each assignment. Listen carefully in class as it will vary.
- ✓ I am not looking for right or wrong answers. I am looking at your quality of thought and engagement. If you put forth effort, you will be successful!
- ✓ Turn these in when I collect them. If you need extra time, come in during Smart Lunch or see me outside of class time to discuss other accommodations.

<b>Reader Response Journal Sample</b>	
<b>(Type &amp; p#)</b>	<b>(Response)</b>
Prediction p 959	I think that the people in the story are riding a train to a funeral. They're all wearing black and appear sad.

### Types of responses:

**Prediction-** What's going to happen? What do I already know about this?

**Connection-** How can I relate this to my own life?

**Question--** Is there something confusing? What do I want or need to know?

**Visualization-** Describe a character or setting. What do I see?

**Evaluation-**What do I think or how do I feel about this? What is my opinion?

**Review-** How can I put it into my own words? Can I summarize events up to this point.

**Respond-** Is there something I would change or do differently? Do I know someone who might like to read this?