

Unit 1 English Personal Response to a text – journal writing

Question	Response
Identify title and author/chapter etc.	
Provide a <u>brief</u> outline of the events in this section of the text	
Describe the <u>setting</u> (physical, cultural and social). How does the setting shape the experiences of the subject/s? What mood or atmosphere is created as a result of the setting? Provide textual evidence to support your response.	
Comment on the use of <u>voice</u> . Is first, second or third person used? Why has this writer chosen to use this narrative voice? What impact do they intend to have on their audience? Provide textual evidence to support your response. Is the writer trying to share a message with their audience? If so what is it and how do they do so through the character?	
Identify the issues, themes and ideas presented in this passage/chapter/short story. What is being explored? What is the writer revealing about those themes/issues and ideas?	
What literary <u>techniques</u> (e.g. symbols) is your author using to convey their ideas? What purpose does it serve? Provide textual evidence to support your conclusions.	
What connections can you think of that links to the text on a local/national/global level? Provide examples where you can draw parallels between the text and real life experiences.	
What <u>connection</u> does your text have to any of your personal experiences? Write down moments that you felt you have been able to relate to and why? How did this make you feel? What feelings were present? What are the key memories of this moment?	

