

Guiding Questions for Fiction Books

1. What were your feelings after reading the opening chapter(s) of this book?
2. What were your feelings after reading half of this book? Use examples.
3. What were your feelings after finishing this book? Use examples.
4. Did this book make you laugh? Cry? Cringe? Smile? Cheer? Describe the scene that made you have this emotion and tell why it made you feel that way.
5. What connections are there between the book and your own life? Explain.
6. What are the best parts of this book? Why?
7. What are the worst parts of this book? Why?
8. What was the author saying about life and living through this book? Is there a lesson here for you? Will you be changed in any way from this book? Explain how and why.
9. What parts of the book seem the most believable? Why? What parts seem unbelievable? Why?
10. Do you like the ending of the book? Why/Why not? Do you think there is more to tell? What do you think might happen next?
11. What do you feel is the most important word in the book? The most important passage? The most important element? Why is it important?
12. In what ways are you like any of the characters? Explain.
13. Do any of the characters remind you of your friends, family members or classmates? Explain.
14. What character would you like to be in the book? Why? What personality traits of this character would you like to acquire? Explain.
15. Do you think the title fits this book? Why ?