

Close and Critical Reading – Touching Spirit Bear Chapter 26

10 points completion/ 10 points for 1 graded section- determined at turn in!

Using your Close and Critical reading notes/ questions, complete the graphic organizer below for the assigned text.

Question #1-

What does the text say?

Write a summary- a short version containing the gist of something; a shortened version of something that has been said or written, containing only the main points. Restatements should be written in your own words. It should not include the reader's thoughts, opinions, or ideas.

1. *After reading the story excerpt, write a 6 – 10 sentence summary in the space below:*

Question #2-

How does the text say it?

Analyze structure, function of text, and author's craft



1. perspective

Is this written in 1st person or 3rd person? How can you tell?

1.

2. genre

What type of story is this? How can you tell?

2.

3. Tone/Mood

What is the tone/ mood of the story?

3.

4. Conflict

Look at the different types of conflict being used in this excerpt.

How many different examples of conflict are there? Give a detail for each example.

4.

5. Strong word choice

What strong, vivid words are used?

5.

6. Clincher

How does the text conclude?

6.

7. Motif

What is a major reoccurring idea in this passage? How can you tell?

7.

Question #3-

What does the text mean?

1. What is the message of this piece?
(Please write the message as a
"universal" or "open-ended" statement.)

2. In your own words, describe what you
think the message means.

Question #4-

So what?

Making Connections: Relevancy - What does this mean to me and my world?

Text-to-self: (required)- Write 2-3 sentences about how this text personally connects to you:

What does this remind me of in my life?

What is this similar to in my life? How is this different from my life?

What were my feelings when I read this?

Text-to-text: (option 1)- Write 2-3 sentences about how this text connects to another text:

What does this remind me of in another book I've read?

How is this text similar to other things I've read?

How is this different from other books I've read?

OR

Text-to-world: (option 2)- Write 2-3 sentences about how this text connects to world:

What does this remind me of in the real world?

How is this text similar to things that happen in the real world?

How is this different from things that happen in the real world?