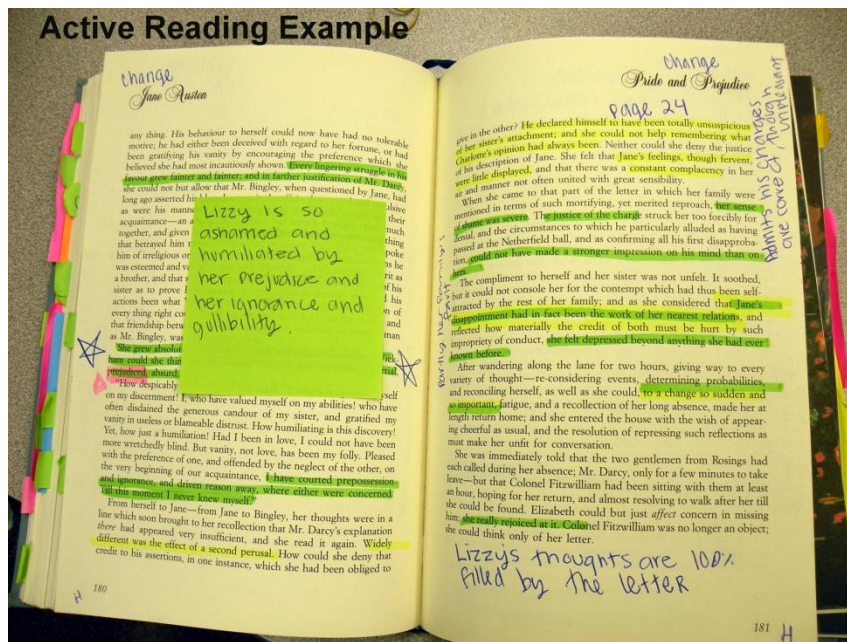


Winter Reading Journal

Throughout the year you have worked hard to train your brain to read actively and think about the importance of what you have read. The brain is a muscle—if you are not using it, it becomes weak and forgets how to work. This reading assignment is designed to help you retain all of the skills you’ve learned. Choose **ONE** of the books below to complete this winter.

As you read the book, keep a summary of what you’ve read(150 words) and write down your reflection in a separate column(100 words). Think about the major works you have read this year and how their themes compare to the ones in the book you read over the winter.

Your journal is due **on the first day of school**. You should either bring a notebook to turn in or a printed out journal that you’ve typed **AND** the novel that you’ve read with **evidence of active reading and notes**.



Reading Journal

Date:	Book Title:
Page:	Author:
Summary: What I read today.(150words)	
Reflection: What do you think of this part?(100words)	

For the new 9th graders:

The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Bestselling author Sherman Alexie tells the story of Junior, a budding cartoonist growing up on the Spokane Indian Reservation. Determined to take his future into his own hands, Junior leaves his troubled school on the rez (reservation) to attend an all-white farm town high school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.

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A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

A Wrinkle in Time, winner of the Newbery Medal in 1963, is the story of the adventures in space and time of Meg, Charles Wallace, and Calvin O'Keefe (athlete, student, and one of the most popular boys in high school). They are in search of Meg's father, a scientist who disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government on the tesseract (a wrinkle in time) problem.

https://www.amazon.cn/A-Wrinkle-in-Time-Madeleine-L-Engle/product-reviews/0312367546/ref=dpx_acr_txt?showViewpoints=1

Wrinker by Jerry Spinelli

A young boy named Palmer lives in a town called Waymer, which celebrates an annual Pigeon Day. Pigeon Day involves trapping pigeons in crates and releasing them to be shot in the air. Ten-year-old boys in Waymer can accept the honor of picking up the wounded birds that have not yet died from a gunshot wound and wring their necks to "put the pigeons out of their misery." When Palmer turns nine, his peers pressure him to join them in anticipation of becoming the best "wringers," boys who wring the necks of pigeons. Palmer is not sure he wants to do such a thing, but his father was known as one of the best wringers ever, and he doesn't want to disappoint everyone. What choice will he make?

https://www.amazon.cn/Wrinker-Jerry-Spinelli/dp/0064405788/ref=sr_1_1_twi_pap_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1497579966&sr=8-1&keywords=wringer

Everything on a Waffle by Polly Forvath

In the small Canadian town of Coal Harbour, in a quaint restaurant called The Girl on the Red Swing, everything comes on a waffle--lasagna, fish, you name it. Even waffles! The town is the new home of Primrose, a unique 11 year-old girl whose parents have been lost at sea and whose uncle is currently caring for her despite not really wanting to. Primrose likes her new town but finds it quirky, and the residents aren't too sure what they think about her either. You might be surprised at what this sweet, silly book can teach you about relationships, peace, and understanding.

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