

## 25 Great Ways to Respond to a Book

- 1. Write a paragraph or two giving your response to the first chapter of the book and predict what is going to happen in it.
- 2. Write a book review.
- 3. Write the next chapter of the book.
- 4. Write a new blurb for the back of the book.
- 5. Choose a part of the book and re-write what happens to the characters.
- 6. After you have read the book, write an epilogue in which you explain what happens to the characters next.
- 7. Write the diary of one of the characters.
- 8. Write a letter to the author, giving your opinion of the book.
- 9. Write some questions to ask the author about the book or about his/her experience of writing the book.
- 10. Write a series of questions for a group discussion about the book.
- 11. Create a postcard. Write to a friend, the author or to a character about the book.
- 12. Write a letter as if you are a character writing to a friend about/his/her experiences.
- 13. Create a timeline that includes all the events in the book.
- 14. Create a storyboard of all key events.
- 15. Write a scene in which the characters travel out of the book into your world or another world.
- 16. Write a biography of the characters that most interests you.
- 17. Write a poem based on a theme or a character in the book.
- 18. Design a new book jacket.
- 19. Write a series of predictions after each chapter you read.
- 20. Produce a problem page in which you give advice to one of the characters on a problem he/she is facing.
- 21. Choose a character and write a part of the story from their point of view.
- 22. Paint a picture to illustrate a scene or a character from the novel.
- 23. Make a map showing all of the locations in the novel.
- 24. Turn part of the novel into a comic.
- 25. Imagine that the novel is being made into a film. Who would you cast in each role and why? Produce a plan for your film version and a poster to advertise the film.