

LightSail Annotation Brainstarters

Not sure what to write for your annotation? Use this list of questions and sentence frames to get your thoughts flowing!

Predict

What do you predict will happen next? → I predict that _____ because _____.

Infer

Make an inference about what the book is saying without actually saying! → This makes me think _____ because in the text it said _____. In the text it said _____. This makes me think _____.

Analyze Characters

Think about character traits and character interactions! → In the text [name of character] said _____. This tells me that he/she is _____ because _____.

Connect

Make connections! → This reminds me of _____ because _____. This is similar to _____ because _____.

Summarize

Summarize your thinking and the main idea of the text! → This part of the book is about _____.

Visualize

Visualize what is happening in the book! → I can see a really clear picture in my brain because _____. The author used great visual imagery in the part where _____.

Question

Ask a question! → I wonder why _____. I wonder what would happen if _____. A question that came to mind is _____.

Analyze language

Think about definitions, context clues, and word choice! → I didn't know what _____ meant, but I _____ to figure out that it means _____. The author chose to use the word _____ instead of a word like _____. This impacts how I understand the text because _____.

Clarify

Clarify your thinking by describing to your reader what confused you and then how you got clarity! → I was confused when _____ but now I understand that _____. The part where _____ was confusing, so I reread the text. Now I know _____.

React

Share your reactions to the text! → I was surprised that _____ because _____. A part that stood out to me was when _____ because _____. This part makes me feel _____ because _____. I notice that the author _____. I think he/she did that because _____.