Reading Journal Questions

Reading Journal entries must answer just one of the following questions in a complete, on-topic paragraph.

NON-FICTION

1. What did you find surprising about the facts introduced in this book?
2. How has reading this book changed your opinion of a certain person or topic?
3. Does the author present information in a way that is interesting and insightful, and if so, how does he or she achieve this?
4. If the author is writing on a debatable issue, does he or she give proper consideration to all sides of the debate?
5. How has the book increased your interest in the subject matter?

FICTION

1. What do you think will happen next? Why?
2. What puzzles you about the story? Why?
3. Why do you like or dislike the characters in the story?
4. What thing in the story reminds you of yourself or another person you know? How?
5. How does this story make you feel? Why?
6. How might you have made the story different? Why?
7. What are the different characters like? Why do they act the way they do?
8. What is the setting, and how does the setting make the story more interesting?
9. What event or problem sets the story in motion? What happens because of the problem? How are things handled at the end?
10. What do you think the author or speaker means in a particular part of the story?
11. What did you think of the story? What were your most favorite things about it? Why?
12. What did you think of the ending?