

**Date** on 1st line to the right \_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Greeting** (Dear So&So, ) on 2nd line to the left \_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_

**Para. #1 What is in the book?**

**INTRODUCE** 1st sentence should state the book **title & author** \_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_  
Short **summary**... In a nutshell, what is the book about?  
**Point of view** ...Who is telling the story?  
(Whole paragraph = 4 sentence minimum) \_\_\_\_\_/15 \_\_\_\_\_

**Para. #2 What is in your head?**

**REFLECT** What do you believe is the **theme** of the book? **Italicize theme.**  
This is the author’s message as a sentence, **NOT** just a word or phrase.  
What does it really make you think about and wonder? Why did he or she write this?  
**For example:** What is the most important lesson or discovery you made about life, our world, yourself and/or other people from reading this book?  
In a **Claim/Evidence/Explanation** format.  
**Claim**/response - What do you claim the theme to be? **Italicize theme.**  
**Evidence**/example- “Line or QUOTE” (& pg #). from the book as evidence of your claim.  
**Explanation**/reason-Why or how does your evidence back up your claim? because ???  
*5 sentence minimum - No “fluff” paragraphs!*  
(only 10 points for more summary) \_\_\_\_\_/25 \_\_\_\_\_

**Para. #3 What is in your head?**

**REFLECT** Write about... connections,  
inferences, observations, cause & effect,  
compare and contrast **or** some aspect of the author’s writing style.  
**Examples:** *The phrase, “.....” got me **thinking** about ..... because....*  
*Until I read, “.....,” I had never **considered**..... in this way. Now I see....*  
*I **think** the heart of NOVEL can be found in the line, “.....” (reason)*  
*As a writer, I **noticed** XX (author’s name) used the technique of..... in the phrase “.....” It was very effective because.....* Again, 5 sentence minimum - No “fluff” paragraphs!  
In a **Claim/Evidence/Explanation** format similar to paragraph #2 \_\_\_\_\_/25 \_\_\_\_\_

**Para. #4 What is in your heart?**

**CONCLUDE** Final thoughts 4 sentence minimum \_\_\_\_\_/10 \_\_\_\_\_  
How can this reading make you better?  
What is the most important discovery you made about life, our world, yourself and/or other people from reading this book?  
**Recommendation:** whom and why? \_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Closing** (Sincerely, your name & class)  
Should be to the right aligned with the date at top \_\_\_\_\_/5 \_\_\_\_\_

(Fill in the top & self-grade or -3pts) (If late, -5pts/day) (**Post-it notes +6!**) \_\_\_\_\_/6 \_\_\_\_\_

Reading Log \_\_\_\_\_/20 Letter \_\_\_\_\_/106 \_\_\_\_\_/2 Total \_\_\_\_\_/53 \_\_\_\_\_



**Literature Log Letter Rubric** Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_