

## *Book Club Preparation Template*

For the book that you select, please thoughtfully complete **all** sections of the following template. You should bring these notes/thoughts to your book club discussion and turn them into your English teacher on the first day of school.

### **Discussion Director**

*Directions:* Compose at least three thought-provoking questions that your book club might want to discuss about the text. These questions should be open-ended and prompt discussion/debate. In other words, do not write these questions as yes/no responses. The best questions will come from your own thoughts, feelings, and ideas while reading the book. You should also write your own answers to these questions.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### **Literary Luminary**

*Directions:* Choose at least three paragraphs or sentences from the text to discuss with your book club. Use these excerpts to highlight something interesting, powerful, funny, puzzling, or important from the book. These excerpts can relate to theme (i.e. book's overall message) or the author's writing style (e.g. figurative/descriptive language, syntax, diction, symbolism).

Paragraph/page #/and reason for choosing:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### **Connector**

*Directions:* Find at least three connections between the book you are reading and the outside world. This means connecting what you read with other texts and articles, to what is happening in your own life, to what happens at school or in the community, to similar events at other times and places, or to other people or problems.

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