
Activity 3:

While you are reading *Their Eyes Were Watching God*, you will notice some wonderful thought-provoking ideas that make you stop and ponder. In this activity you will keep a response journal to capture some of these ideas and give your opinion and interpretation of them

Step 1. Design a Double Entry Journal.

Step 2. Choose between 14-20 quotes from throughout the novel upon which to reflect and write them on the left side. Perhaps you would like to follow a theme such as marriage, the role of women, issues of race, Janie's growth as a woman or the folkways of the people. On the other hand you may write down those quotes that are powerful poetic images, that are surprising, that make you laugh, or that relate to your own experience.

Step 3. On the right hand side reflect on the deeper significance of what is being said. Ponder, question and try to answer your own questions. An example of a thought-provoking quote is the third sentence of Chapter 3, "Did marriage end the cosmic loneliness of the unmated?" This question certainly makes a person think. That is what you will be doing. Thinking on paper. Having a dialogue with yourself.

The Double Entry Journal will be evaluated on the following:

Choosing from throughout the novel a substantial number of quotes which follow a theme or which are about ideas of interest to you.

The dialectal journal, as a response to literature, will reflect:

- a judgment that demonstrates a comprehensive grasp of the significant ideas of work
 - support for key ideas and viewpoints through accurate and detailed references to the text
 - awareness of the author's use of stylistic devices and an appreciation of the effects created
 - the impact of perceived ambiguities, nuances, and complexities within text.
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