

Before Text Talk Time

TEXT _____

AUTHOR _____

Directions: Prepare for the discussion by writing several of your own text-dependent questions about the text.

Questions about a character’s actions, feelings, or characteristics

Example: How did Charlie react when the power went out? What details from the story describe how Charlie and Isabel Jane spent the rest of the day?

Questions about vocabulary

Example: What is a gadget? What problem does Charlie face with his gadget?

Questions about text’s main idea(s)

Example: What message or moral does the author teach us through her description of Charlie and how he reacts when the power goes out?

Questions about illustrations

Example: How does the picture on page 100 help describe Charlie’s reaction when the power went out?

During Text Talk Time

Directions: Pay attention to the discussion and take notes on interesting things you heard and learned from your classmates.

Listening notes

After Text Talk Time

Directions: Reflect on the discussion by answering the following questions.

1. After our discussion, this text reminds me of... (text-to-text, text-to-self, text-to-world)

2. My favorite part of today's text talk was...

3. My least favorite part of today's text talk was...