

Any Non-fiction of Choice

Objective:

During reading students will respond to the non-fiction text by making text to text, text to self, and text to world connections.



Criteria for Credit:

Keep a Double Entry Journal

- On the left side, write the chapter, page, and text evidence, i.e. quote/ passage.
- One the right side, write your response/ connection (TRMO-see below).
- Minimum 10 entries with NO REPEATS.

Example Double Entry Journal:

Page(s)	Type of connection	Sentence(s) from the novel	Text connection
41	Text to text	“And from the great breathing cage of the upper body those two delicate arms dangled out front, arms with hands which might pick up and examine men like toys, while the snake neck coiled. And the head itself, a ton of sculptured stone, lifted easily upon the sky. Its mouth gaped, exposing a fence of teeth like daggers.” (from <i>A Sound of Thunder</i>).	In Michael Crichton’s novel <i>Jurassic Park</i> , the tyrannosaurus-rex adds suspense and excitement as it gets closer and closer to the people. The description of the beast and events lend fear and horror to the reader’s imagination. This represents the potential harm and negative consequences of individual actions.
146	Text to self	“Tomorrow the kind of work I like best begins: buying. Cherries and citron, ginger and vanilla and canned Hawaiian pineapple, rinds and raisins and walnuts and whiskey and oh, so much flour, butter, so many eggs, spices, flavorings: Why, we’ll need a pony to pull the buggy home.” (from <i>A Christmas Memory</i>).	I lived with my grandma for part of my childhood and every winter we would make tons of fruitcake and bake a mess of cookies and pies. We would literally spend an entire week in the kitchen cooking and preparing sweets that would last us for months. This time reminds me of home and strong family ties.
929	Text to world	“Going forward, he kissed the young man’s head, his shining eyes and both hands, while his own tears brimmed and fell. Think of a man whose dear and only son, born to him in exile, reared with labor, has lived ten years abroad and now returns: how that man would embrace his son!” (from <i>The Odyssey</i>).	Many military men and women are called to duty and become separated from their families for long periods of time. Some of the spouses even miss their child’s birth, never getting to witness the miracle result of conception. This could have different lifelong effects on a person: It may make them regret choices they made; or, it may make them thankful for the good fortune that brought them home.

Remember: Your response/ connection should be in *the style of a*

‘That Reminds Me Of’ aka TRMO.

- **Text to text:** an insight gained through connecting the reading to other familiar texts.
- **Text to self:** a personal connection a reader makes between a reading and their own life experiences.
- **Text to world:** a connection that includes ideas on how the world works. This connection goes beyond personal experience.



Weekly Log of BIG local, national, & international news items

Criteria for Credit:

Your log should have at least one entry per week.

Each entry should contain:

- Title of article, news cast, etc.
- Source: Tampa Bay Times, 60 Minutes, etc.
- Who
- Where
- Simple summary (3-5 sentences)