

Citation of Work:

Metacognitive Reading Log & Prompts

Important Quotes, Ideas, & Information in the Text (p.)	My Thoughts, Feelings, Questions, & Struggles/Strategies to Comprehend

See the end of this document for a wealth of “starters” for log’s right column!

Prompts

1. In your own words, write a short (1-2 sentence) summary of this piece.
2. What kinds of things were happening in your mind as you read this?
3. What did you do that helped you understand the reading?
4. What questions or problems do you still have with this piece?
5. How easy or difficult was this piece for you? (highlight one)
 pretty easy not too hard pretty hard too hard
6. How well would you say you understood this piece? Explain.

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TEACHER-BASED COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS (for the given text):

1. This story has a very common archetype, where a person sells their soul to the devil in exchange for something. Sometimes this is called a “Faustian Tale.” List 3 other examples of this type of scenario in works you have read, seen, or heard.
2. What can you tell about Tom when his wife disappears (both directly and indirectly)?
3. Tom begins to go to church, but the author says he is not reformed. Why is he going to church, and what evidence can you use to see that he is not reformed?
4. What is the modern-day job similar to a usurer?
5. What do you think Washington Irving is saying about the effects of greed on society with this story? Use examples from the text to make your point.

Sample Starters for Reflections:

<p><u>Predicting*</u> I predict... Next, I think... I think this is... <u>Visualizing*</u> I picture... I see... <u>Identifying an Issue*</u> I got confused here because... I’m not sure of this because... I didn’t expect...</p>	<p><u>Making Connections</u> This is like... This reminds me of... <u>Summarizing*</u> The big idea here is... I think the point is... So what it says is... <u>Questioning*</u> A question I have is... I wonder about... Could this mean... <u>Using Fix-Ups</u> I’ll reread this part... I’ll read-on & come back...</p>	<p><u>Possible Reading Strategies</u> Identifying a Reading Purpose Setting a Strategy to Read Identify*/Evaluate* Issues Tolerating Ambiguity Clarifying Text* Using Context Clues Chunking Sections of Text Visualizing* Identifying Author’s Voice Questioning* & Predicting* Organizing Ideas & Info Paraphrasing/Summarizing* Using Evidence</p>
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