

THE CONNECTOR:

When you are the "Connector," it is your job to make connections between things you read in this cycle of the book and your experiences. You will use a "Double-Entry Journal" method to find at least five connections. You also need to decide if the connections are between the book and your own experience ("text to self"), the book and another book, movie, television show, etc. ("text to text"), or the book and world events ("text to world"). See the example below:

This Part in the Book...	Reminded Me of...
When Justin panicked and refused to help. "I can't," he yelled. "You have no idea what you're asking!" (p. 25)	When my mom always asks me to babysit my little sister. My little sister drives me crazy. My mom has NO idea how much I hate this. If she did, she'd never ask me! (Text to Self)
When Justin found out that Sally was dead, he was devastated. He couldn't believe what he was hearing. "There's no way she's dead. No way." (p. 30)	When I heard about all those people dying in the Tsunami, I couldn't believe it. Thousands of people were killed, and their families were devastated. (Text to World)

Use the back of this sheet for the actual Double-Entry Journal. You will be assessed using the following rubric, so make sure you have done the task completely!

LEVEL ONE	LEVEL TWO	LEVEL THREE	LEVEL FOUR
There are only one or two kinds of connections (text to text, text to world, text to self) in the entry. There are less than three entries. Entries state a limited and unclear reference to a passage in the book, and an unclear and/or limited explanation of its related connection.	There are at least two kinds of connections (text to text, text to world, text to self) in the entries. There are two or three entries. Entries state a general reference to a passage in the book, and some basic explanation of its related connection.	There are all three kinds of connections (text to text, text to world, text to self) in the entries. There are between three and five entries. Entries state a complete reference to a passage in the book, and a complete and considerable explanation of its related connection.	There are all three kinds of connections (text to text, text to world, text to self) in the entry. There are five or more entries. Entries state a complete and detailed reference to a passage in the book (quoted and cited), and a thorough, detailed explanation of its related connection.

You may want to use post-it notes for this lit circle role. You can put a post-it note beside the part of the story that made you think of something else, and then you will be able to remind yourself when you're finished reading!

Happy connecting!