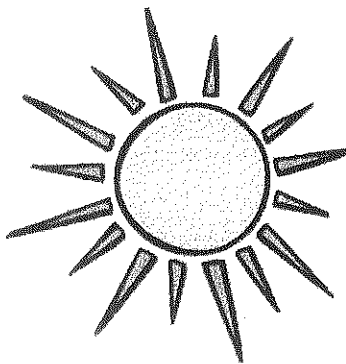


Shady Side Academy Junior School



Rising Fourth Grade

**SUMMER
READING
JOURNAL
RESPONSES**



Name: _____

Directions: For each book that you read over the summer, please write a summary using the "Somebody, Wanted, But, So, Then" format. Read our example before starting your entries to help you remember what to include in your summary. Also, don't forget to review your writing for proper punctuation, spelling, capitalization, and grammatically correct sentences.

Sample Rising Fourth Grade Summer Reading Journal

Response with teacher hints:

I read the book, Because of Winn-Dixie, by Kate DiCamillo.

Look, I included the book title and author's name

Look, I mentioned the main character ("the somebody").

The main character is Opal, a ten-year old girl who moves to

Look, I explained the main character's goal (what the character "wants").

Florida with her dad. She wants to make friends in her new

Look, I explained what was stopping Opal from reaching her goal (the "but").

town, but she's still sad about her mom not being around.

Look, I explained what Opal does next (the "so").

So, Opal and her father rescue a local dog named Winn-Dixie,

who she becomes friends with, and she also makes friends with

Finally, I explained what happens to Opal at the end of the book, (the "then").

other people in town. Then she talks to her dad about her

feelings about her mom, and she feels better.

