

Notebook Entry Guidelines

- Every entry must include **T-A-G-D**.

T = Title
A = Author
G = Genre
D = Date

- Every entry must include a **BRIEF SUMMARY** (what is happening).
 - 📖 This should be just a summary, not a retelling. It can be a paragraph, a list, or a sketch, but it can't be more than five sentences long.
- Every entry must include a **REACTION** (what this makes me think).
 - 📖 This is NOT a summary. It should be your response to the book. See the suggestions at the front of your notebook for suggested ideas.

Sample Entry

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| ○ | by Peter Reynolds Realistic Fiction March 27, 2011 |
| ○ | Summary: Ramon is a little boy who loves to draw anywhere and everywhere. His big brother Leon makes fun of his drawings, so Ramon crumples all of his drawings and eventually gives up. His sister hangs the drawings in a crumple gallery. Ramon learns that his vase drawing looks "vase-ish". He then begins to make many "ish" drawings. |
| ○ | Reaction: I loved this book! It made me think about how many times we try to do things and give up because we aren't perfect. It's okay if our work isn't perfect—it's okay if it is just good. This book also made me think about how our words can be hurtful to others because when Ramon's brother made fun of Leon's drawings, he hurt Leon's feelings and made him feel very discouraged. I think we should think before we speak so that our words don't hurt other people. |