

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading-Response Journal Rubric

name:

date of journal entry:

Characteristics of an <i>exceptional</i> journal entry	Yes - <b>4</b>	Sometimes - <b>3</b>	Infrequently- <b>2</b>	No - <b>1</b>
<b>DEMONSTRATES DEEP THINKING</b> (at least 2 of following) <input type="checkbox"/> Shows <u>thoughtful</u> insight into character thoughts and/or motivations <input type="checkbox"/> Connects subject to own experiences <input type="checkbox"/> Thoughtfully analyzes author's style and/or motivations with <u>original insight</u>				
<b>THOUGHTS ARE CLEARLY EXPLAINED</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Ideas are fully supported with details, examples, and/or well-developed reasoning <input type="checkbox"/> Ideas are well organized				
<b>ATTENTION TO DETAIL</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Neat <input type="checkbox"/> Mostly correct spelling and punctuation <input type="checkbox"/> Includes <u>creative</u> title <input type="checkbox"/> Includes date				

12, 11 = exceptional 10 = very good 9 = average < 9 = a better effort needed next time

**score:**