

Your blog will also function as a literary journal this semester, as you read and respond to two additional YA novels. Think of the book journal as an alternate take on the book report, composed and published and your weblog. Your group of three to four members should determine which two YA novels you will read this semester, perhaps connecting your choices by theme, setting, or author. Then each of you should complete at least **six** entries per novel on your blog. Some entry options:

- Link to a web site that you think the main character would like. In 1-2 paragraphs, explain your choice.
- Link to a web site that provides helpful background information on the text. In 1-2 paragraphs, explain your choice.
- Link to a web site that connects thematically or topically to the novel. In 1-2 paragraphs, explain your choice.
- Link to a review of the novel and offer a brief response to the review.
- Link to a web site that provides biographical information on the author. In 1-2 paragraphs, explain how this information affects your reading.
- Post an image that connects to the text and explain your choice in 1-2 paragraphs.
- Comment on the book blog of a group member.
- Write a first-person entry (letter, journal entry, email, voice mail) that captures the voice of the character and provides insight into him or her.
- Predict what will happen as the story unfolds.
- Write a missing scene the writer chose not to include.
- Choose a character that you identify with and explain why.
- Invent a character the writer should have included.
- Make a text-to-self, text-to-text, or text-to-world connection.
- Interview a character or the author.
- Pull a quote from the text and comment on its significance.
- Describe your own activity as the reader: What literary moves are you making?

Be sure to space your entries throughout the allotted time, rather than waiting until the night before they are due. On the due date, please print your book blog entries for your literature circle discussion.

