

Homeroom Diaries by James Patterson

Instructions:

Every week, you must complete the reading assignment. It is shown below with the due date.

After reading, you must complete the assignment. That is, you must define two vocabulary words and answer three questions.

Format:

- Title: Put the chapters that were read.
- Vocabulary: write the word, the part of speech, and the definition.
- Questions: write the number of the question, followed by an answer in a complete sentence.
- *If you do not follow this format, your work will not be graded.*

If you don't finish the work in class, come see me to make arrangements to borrow a book, come in before school, during Study Hall, or during lunch. *Do not just take a book.* All of the questions are on my website.

Grading: You will receive one grade each week on your work, just like the Literature Circle groups. All of these grades will be averaged into one major grade at the end of the grading period.

PROLOGUE and Chapters 1-3, due January 9 (A Day) or January 10 (B Day).

Vocabulary

- psych
- berserk
- clique, p. 6
- interment, p. 6
- biffles, p. 10
- potential, p. 13
- deprived, p. 14

Questions

- 1) Chapter 1: What is the setting of the story?
- 2) Chapter 1: Who is the Freakshow? Tell the members real names and their "Freakshow" names. Also tell why they are called by that name. Write your answers in complete sentences. For example,
 - The narrator is Margaret "Cuckoo" Clark, called Cuckoo because she got sent to Crazytown.
- 3) Chapter 2: What does Marty Bloom do to Zitsy? Why do you think he does this?

Chapters 4-11, due January 15 (A Day) or January 16 (B Day).

Vocabulary

- ominous, p. 16
- inexplicably, p. 16
- rampant, p. 18
- disconcerting, p. 23
- remorse, p. 28
- irks, p. 40

Questions

- 1) Chapter 6: Cuckoo, or Kooks, pretends that she has a whole conversation with a character from her book. Does this make her crazy? Justify your answer.
- 2) Marty Bloom shows up again in chapters 7 and 8. What does he do that is *out* of character in chapter 7?
- 3) Chapter 9: Why do you think someone created the crucifix with Tebow on it?