Literature Circles

Author, Date, (Book Title), Publisher, Place Published

Step 1: As a group, go through your book and divide it into 4 sections to read. Write down the page numbers and dates the reading and lit. circle work will be due by. It is extremely important to complete the reading on time and think of connections to discuss with your group!

Meeting	Page Numbers or	Date of meeting
Number	Chapters to read	

Step 2: Pre-Reading Assignment

Choose 3 Pre- Reading strategies to do before you begin your literature circle book. Write down what you learn about the book BEFORE you begin reading. There are a list of Pre-Reading strategies below to choose out of, or if you have other strategies you can add them to the list.

Pre-Reading Strategies:

- Look up information about the author (birthday, age, education, family life, birthplace, home...)
- Research the setting of the book and learn about the climate, geography and brief history etc...
- Look up the year the book is set. What issues were/are happening in the world?
- Look up the year and location of the novel to find out and record (on paper) the events that are happening.
- Read the front and back cover. What connections can you make to the story and characters?
- Look up the title, what does it mean? What connections do you make?
- Look at the front cover picture. Describe what you see, and predict what will happen in the book.
- Create a concept Map of the things you learn about the story
- Write out questions (minimum 5) that you expect will be answered while you read
- Search (print and paste below) for pictures of the setting, or of people mentioned on the book cover.
- Look through the glossary (if available)to become familiar with new terms
- Why do you think this book was written? Who is the audience? What is the purpose?
- What else has the author written? What similar themes do you see?
- Create a KWL chart for the topic: What do you Know? What you do Want to
  Know? What did you Learn?

Pre Reading Strategy 1:

Pre Reading Strategy 2:

Pre- Reading Strategy 3: