

Discussion Director

You will serve as the “Book Talk” leader for the group. Your assignment is to write down questions that your group can talk about. Be sure to include questions that will allow and promote discussion instead of questions that simply require a right or wrong answer or a simple response. Use the “Literature Question Cards” or “Reading Sentence Starters” to help you to create strong questions. Record your 8-10 questions in your Readers Notebook.



When your group has its meetings, you will lead the meeting with the following format:

1. Start the meeting by reviewing which chapters were assigned and which role each group member was to complete.
2. Ask the **Summarizer** to share the overview of the reading.
3. Ask the **Passage Picker** to share his/her quotes, unusual parts, explanations, and questions based on the passage. When finished, ask if any group member has a comment or question for the **Passage Picker**.
4. Ask the **Word Wizard** to share his/her vocabulary work. Ensure that every member understands the vocabulary. When finished, ask if any group member has a comment or question for the **Word Wizard**.
5. Ask the **Connector** to share his/her connection to the text. He/She needs to explain the type of connection made and provide several key details about how his/her connection relates back to the text. Ensure that if a group member has a comment or question that he/she is able to share with the **Connector**.
6. Ask the **Artful Artist** to share his/her sketch and talk about the information on it. Then, ask if any group member has a comment or question for the **Artful Artist**.
7. Choose a couple of questions. One at a time, ask your discussion questions. Allow group members to provide several different answers. Your goal is to **have a discussion**. Encourage participation from all group members.
8. When you are finished the “Book Talk” complete a Tweet response about one thing that you learned. Post it on our Summary of Learning chart or complete the reflection sheet about your role in the Literature Circle and hand it in.