

Sentence Starters for Responding to Reading

fiction prompts

I was surprised...
I wonder...
I know the feeling of...
My favorite character is...
I love the way...
I wonder why...
I can't understand why...
I noticed...
The main problem is that...
The setting is...
If I were...
I was confused when...
I predict...
I wish that...
I felt that...
I want to learn more about...
I wonder why the author ...
I see a picture of...
I would recommend this book to...
I had never thought about...
I can relate to...
I know someone who reminds me of...
This made me think of...
I was surprised...
A great word is...
I felt sad when...

non-fiction prompts

I learned that...
I never knew...
I already knew that...
I was wrong to think...
I wonder...
I still don't know...
An important date is...
I learned how to...
The confusing thing is...
This helped me explain...
I was surprised...
I also want to read...
A new thing I learned is...
I predict...
I'd like to know more about...
A question I have is...
In my mind I picture...
Some interesting facts are...
This chapter (book, article)
answered my questions about...
I can use this information for...
I used to think____, but now...
I would like to share my
learning by...
I wonder....
The most important thing
I learned was...

Note: Model for students how to support their responses using "because" when appropriate.