

## Literature Circles

Prep = 5 possible (comprehension = 3, up to 2 for the rest of the written work)  
 Teacher only marks oral when s/he joins group – not at every meeting

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Juicy questions√						
Connection √						
Decision						
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Oral - √ or * for each answer						
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Oral Assessment of Literature Circle Meeting  
For occasional use by teacher, peers, and/or self

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Book: \_\_\_\_\_

Assessment by: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Reading Criteria</b>	0-5	Comments &/or Goal for the future
Finished reading & showed good understanding		
Thoughtful skinny questions		
Thoughtful fat questions		
Powerful connection		
Vocabulary choices		

<b>Speaking Criteria</b>	0-5	Comments &/or Goals for the future
Expressed thoughts Clearly, concisely, and politely, giving examples		
Gave thoughtful answers, justifying opinion		
Stayed on topic		
Asked questions clearly		

<b>Listening Criteria</b>	0-5	Comments & Goal for the future
Listened attentively and courteously		
Tried to understand and extend what others said		

Test: Literature Circle Book (optional assessment that I seldom use)

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Book title: \_\_\_\_\_

Some of these questions may seem simple, but all of them require thoughtful answers. You may finish this test at home if you wish. You may also use more paper if you wish.

Describe the main setting(s) of the story (place and time).

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Describe the personality of one of the main characters. Give at least 2 examples from the book.

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What was the climax (most exciting part) of the story?

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Tell about a time when a character had to make a tough decision. What made the decision tough? Do you think s/he made the best decision?

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What are the reasons that this is a good book?

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