

## NONFICTION Response Questions

- 1) Explain some of the things that you have learned so far that you are not likely to forget in the near future.
- 2) What facts did you enjoy learning about the most?
- 3) Would you like to read more about the topic? Why?
- 4) Were there any pictures or illustrations? Did they add interest to the article? Why?
- 5) What kind of research do you think the author had to do to write the article?
- 6) Did you learn anything that could help you outside of school?
- 7) Thinking of the author's craft, what things might you try to do in your own writing that you learned from this reporter?
- 8) After reading the article, do you think you would like to write a nonfiction newspaper article? Why?
- 9) What ideas might you have for turning this work of nonfiction into a work of fiction? Give a brief summary of what your story might be like.
- 10) Explain the basic information that is being presented in terms of the 5W's: Who? What? When? Where? Why?
- 11) Copy a short passage that you found to be interesting. Explain what made it interesting for you.
- 12) Explain if the author wrote a fair and balanced article. Did the author present only facts or was his/her opinion presented too? Give examples of the facts or opinions stated.
- 13) What questions do you have for the author after reading the article? What could you do to answer those questions?
- 14) How did the article make you feel? What connections can you make with the article and your life?
- 15) Did the author change your mind (persuade) about the topic discussed? Explain why or why not.
- 16) Make a prediction about the topic written about and explain why you think it will occur.

- 17) Did anything surprise you? Confuse you? Explain your answer.
- 18) Do you think the content of this article will be remembered in 10 years? 100 years? Or will it be forgotten in the near future? Why?
- 19) Does this article affect you locally (town, county)? Does it affect your state? Country? The world? How?
- 20) How is this article similar or different from a past article you read? Which did you enjoy more? Why?
- 21) What words, phrases, or statements does the author use that caught your attention? Why? How did they make you feel? What did they make you think?
- 22) List two words that were unfamiliar to you. Define each word.
- 23) Were any charts, tables or data provided in the article? Did they enhance (help) the article? How?
- 24) Why did you choose this article? Did the title sound interesting? Or did a photo catch your attention? How could you use these elements to help your writing?
- 25) Complete one of the following phrases:
- My favorite person in the article is \_\_\_\_\_ because...
  - I like the way the reporter.....
  - I felt .....when.....
  - I wish that.....
  - I was confused when.....
  - This made me think of.....
  - I wonder why.....
  - I noticed.....
  - I was surprised when.....
  - I changed my mind about.....because..... I felt.....at the end of the article because.....
- Is there another side (opinion) to the topic not presented? How did the reporter's presentation affect your views on the subject?