

Mentor Book Club: Letter #2 (Due: at the end of class, 11/29/11)

You should now have completed your second independent reading assignment for mentor book club. This week, your letter should include the following:

- Did you read the pages that you scheduled for week 2? If not, how far did you get?
- Remind your mentor what pages he/she should read before next Tuesday (11/30-12/6).
- Do the characters and events seem real and believable? Can you relate to the characters? To what extent do they remind you of yourself or someone you know?
 - When you connect a character or event to your own life, this is what some people refer to as a “mirror,” something that is familiar, relateable.
- Did certain parts of the book make you uncomfortable? If so, why did you feel that way? Did this lead to a new understanding or awareness of some aspect of your life you might not have thought about before?
 - When something feels unfamiliar or confusing in a text, some people refer to it as a “window,” something that you don’t relate to.
- What specific themes is the author emphasizing so far in the novel? What do you think he or she is trying to get across to the reader?
- Anything else fun or interesting you’d like to include about life, school, reading, the arts, etc.
- Decorate it!