Components of a complete and meaningful reader response

Participation— saying something that is important to say and making sure that everyone else gets a chance to talk

Risk taking— saying what you are thinking even if you are not sure. Be courageous, having the guts to try.

Questioning— asking questions about the parts you don’t understand, or the words you don’t understand. Asking others in your group about their opinions.

Expanding on another’s thought or idea—if someone says how they feel about the story, you talk about that part too if you have another idea about it.

Connecting experiences in your life or with other books you’ve read—what’s happened to you that’s similar? Have you learned about this from your life, something you have read or seen on TV or the movies?

Encouraging other’s ideas and responses – It’s every group’s job to be a real group, friends and helpers.