

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

READING LOG

MONTH: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Complete a big idea paragraph after reading each novel.
- At least one novel per month

**SUCCESS CRITERIA:**

- **BIG IDEA PARAGRAPH**
  - o Clearly state what you think the big idea of the book was
  - o Must clearly state at least 2 reading strategies you used that helped you get the big idea (supporting sentences)
  - o **WRITE TRAITS:** Attention should be made to the traits of good writing when completing any writing activity.
    - Ideas
    - Word Choice
    - Organization/Structure
    - Sentence fluency
    - Voice
    - Conventions/Givens

TITLE/AUTHOR	BIG IDEA
<p><b>TITLE:</b> One for the Murphy's - <b>AUTHOR:</b> Lynda Mullaly Hunt</p>	<p><b>PARTIAL EXAMPLE</b></p> <p>How would you feel if your mother betrayed you and you were torn away from your family? In my opinion, the big idea of, "One for the Murphy's" is .....(Explain your opinion of the big idea).....Two reading strategies that I used to come up with the big idea include <b><i>inferencing</i></b> and using <b><i>background knowledge to make connections</i></b>. I inferred that Carley Connors was incredibly depressed and.....(<b><i>explain how the reading strategy helped you understand the big idea</i></b>)..... Using my background knowledge, I was able to connect with how Mrs. Murphy felt about the whole situation and her relationship with Carley because.....( <b><i>explain how the reading strategy helped you understand the big idea</i></b> .....To summarize, the big idea of the story is .....How would you feel if you were Carley Connors?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- This is a simple and basic example of how it could look. Obviously, you will put more information and supporting sentences into your paragraph.</li></ul>