Book Journal Rubric

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Compose a one to two paragraph (7-14 sentences) journal entry using proper paragraph structure, standard English conventions, and MLA document format. In your journal, be sure to address the following:

Events – 5 points

* Who and what is involved in this section? Where does the action take place? When?
* Which events, ideas, or people does the author emphasize? Identify and describe in detail one event idea, or person that this section focuses on. Be sure to make direct textual references (direct quotations) and explain them.
  + Speculate on why the author focuses on this detail / these details.

Characters – 5 points

* Identify one way in which one of the characters changed or developed as a result of events in the novel. Explain the implications or consequences of this character’s actions.

Themes – 5 points

* A theme, or message about human experience, may also emerge in this part of the novel.
* Identify direct textual references (direct quotations) and explain and speculate as to the theme they may imply.