

# 55 Dialectical Response

<b>Title of the Book</b> <sup>1 pt.</sup>		
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Dialectical Response		
This Period		
Today's Date		
<input type="checkbox"/> <sup>1/2 pt.</sup>	<b>"Article" or "Poem"</b>	
<b>"Words from the book that you are responding to, written EXACTLY as they appear" (Author's Last Name pg #).</b> <sup>1 pt.</sup>		
<b>Your response, explained fully and linked back to the quote.</b> <sup>5 pt.</sup>		
Your response may come in the following forms:		
<b>A Connection</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>to self (personal)</li><li>to text (book or movie)</li><li>to world (past or current)</li></ul>	<b>A Prediction</b> – must be thorough, with effort <b>An educated comment</b> – insightful	<b>A question</b> – must include an attempted answer and show depth of thought.

## The Book Thief

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I connected with this line because I have been in a house with a chandelier like this. I could visualize how the light looked. It's light was magical too. When I get older I am going to have a chandelier in my house that sends light all over the room. But, since chandeliers are expensive, I'll have to have a good job so I can afford one. I also like the word "chandelier." It sounds fancy.

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Liesel, the main character of The Book Thief, is invited into the mayors house by his wife. Liesel is anxious because the wife had witnessed her picking a scorched book out of a pile of burned books after a Nazi rally. She worries that she will be punished by the mayor for being an enemy of the Nazis who are burning the nation's books to rid their country of unacceptable ideas.

To her surprise the mayor's wife brings her into her husband's personal library to see his collection of books, a collection that could get him in trouble with the government. Before this, Liesel hated the mayor's wife, but now it is obvious that the mayor's wife is trying to connect with a fellow lover of ideas and books. For Liesel, it is truly a magical experience because the only books she has ever touched, she stole from people who had left them unattended. As she enters the room, she observes, "It felt like magic, like beauty, as bright lines of light shone down from a chandelier" (Zusak 133). The light in this room is like light from heaven and sets a mood of wonder and amazement. I could almost hear angel's singing when she walked in to this library. And I could see her mouth drop open at the sight of all of those beautiful books.

I predict that this new relationship will grow into an important friendship for Liesel and her continuing struggle to survive and read in a world that crushes the freedoms of its citizens.

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