While you read, it’s easy to forget what you’ve read or lose track of certain details over time. Keeping a record of answers to questions like the ones below can help you both better understand what you are reading and improve your memory of what you’ve already read. Answer as many of the following questions as you’d like, as often as you’d like, using whatever space you need. Even in reading and writing, practice makes perfect…

1. **Book Title:**

2. **Author:**

3. **Setting** *(time, place & atmosphere in which a story occurs)*:

4. **Protagonist** *(main character):*

5. **Antagonist** *(his/her adversary/opponent):*

6. **Other Significant Characters:** *(What are they like? * What relationship brings them into the book? * How would things be different without them?)*

7. **Epiphany** *(moment when a big idea suddenly makes sense to a character):*

8. **Climax** *(point of greatest emotional intensity):*

9. **Conflict(s)** *(clash of opposing forces, interests or people) and its/their resolution:

10. **Symbols** *(something that represents something or someone else):*

11. **Themes** *(broad message(s) of a story):*

12. **Anything else** that caught your interest?

13. **Your questions** about anything in the book?