

# EXAMPLE

Title of Novel: *Cirque Du Freak: A Living Nightmare*

**Directions:** Select one of the themes listed below. As you read, you should be looking for evidence that supports your selected theme. Use the double-entry journal to help you organize your evidence and your thoughts. Use the attached example as a guide. You will use the double-entry journal to help you complete an additional assignment in September.

## Possible Themes

1. Friends often depend on one another to get through difficult situations.
2. Some people are willing to risk their lives in search of adventure.
3. When faced with challenges, ordinary people can find the courage to do extraordinary things.

Page #	Evidence from the Text (Cite evidence directly from the text.)	My Reactions/Thoughts/Connections This shows...This is significant because...This means...This connects to the theme because...
47	"There was no name outside the door, and no cars parked nearby, and no waiting line. We stopped out front and bent over until we got our breath back. It was tall and dark and covered in jagged gray stones. Lots of the windows were broken, and the door looked like a giant's open mouth."	This connects to the theme because it shows how Darren and Steve are willing to go to a place they are completely unfamiliar with, just to experience something exciting and different.