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| **DISCUSSING TEXT BOOKMARK**  **RULES FOR CLASSROOM DISCUSSION:**  *\*Students must talk to one another, not just to me or to the air*  *\*Students must look at the speaker while he or she is talking*  *\*Students must listen to one another. To ensure that this happens, they must either address the previous speaker or provide a reason for changing the subject.*  *\*Students must all be prepared to participate. If I call on someone and he or she has nothing to say, the appropriate response is, “I’M NOT SURE WHAT I THINK RIGHT NOW, BUT PLEASE COME BACK TO ME LATER.”*  *\*No side conversations, copying of HW, or texting.*  **DISCUSSION STARTERS:**  *\*Where did you see that in the text?*  *\*If I were in this character’s place…*  *\*Those lines make me feel as though…*  *\*When I compare this with what came before…*  *\*I can understand how you see it that way, but I…*  *\*Does this word have other connotations?*  *\*I was struck by the line where….*  **ROLE IN THE CONVERSATION:**  *\*Use “I” statements: I interpret that differently, What I hear you saying is…*  *\*Work to introduce new and intriguing concepts and questions*  *\*Use specific passages from the book, noting page number, where the passage is on the page, and waiting for everyone to get there*  *\*Add and build onto other’s ideas. Don’t simply repeat, paraphrase or agree with something someone else has said.* |