

INDEPENDENT READING CONFERENCE FORM: FICTION OR NONFICTION



Directions: Jot down notes based on the conversation between you and your student. Prompts for stirring up the conversation are in italics. Record your notes on a separate sheet of paper.

Title and Author _____

Why did you choose the book?

- ◆ *Is it a topic you love? Did someone recommend the book? Who?*

What do you like about the topic, protagonist, setting, problems, conflicts?

- ◆ *Can you find a favorite part, read it, and explain why you liked it?*
- ◆ *Did you learn new information about this topic? Explain.*
- ◆ *Was there a nifty photograph? Share and discuss it.*
- ◆ *Do you have a lot in common with a character? Explain.*
- ◆ *Did the author create suspense or make you laugh? In which part? How? Can you find and read a passage that did this?*

Can you connect the title to the text?

- ◆ *What about the text does the title reflect?*
- ◆ *Were there words in the title that the author used in the text? Explain.*
- ◆ *Did the title point to a specific event, character, or detail? Explain.*

How did the reading go?

- ◆ *Did you enjoy the book? Explain why or why not.*
- ◆ *Were there parts that confused you? Can you share one? How did you get unconfused?*
- ◆ *Did you learn new words? Information? Ideas? Share some.*