



READER'S  
RESPONSE  
JOURNALS



# Reader's Response Organizer

## Quick Summary

In The Mystery of the Laughing Shadow the Three Investigators are searching for a stolen amulet, the answers to a secret message, and the origins of the laughing shadow.

Second thought, question,  
intense wondering

Jupiter told Bob and Pete that one should never jump to conclusions and that everything is not what it appears.



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intense wondering

Ted Sandow is not being honest with the Three Investigators.



Concluding sentence

This is a sentence that breaks the writing to an end.



State your reasons with evidence from the text.

- Pete and Bob thought they had the answers quickly after the incident with the laughing shadow.
- Jupiter told the guys that they must be careful to jump to any conclusions.
- He supports his thinking by asking Bob and Pete to explain the laughing sound. Both described the sound differently.

State your reasons with evidence from the text.

- Ted shows up a day after the statuette disappears
- He invites the boys to the Sandow Estate
- He invites himself to be a part of the investigation
- I think he want to find the statuette of the message inside. There supposedly two statuettes.

- I and not sure how it all fits together, so I guess I will have to wait and see.

# Parts of a Letter

DATE:

Greeting,

**The Body (what you write about)**

Closing,

August 27, 2014

Dear Wolves,

I am having so much fun reading The Mystery of the Laughing Shadow because the book reminds so much of the series I read as a kid. As you know, the book centers around the Three Investigators Jupiter Jones, Pete Crenshaw, and Bob Andrews. The boys always seem to get themselves entangled in a mystery dripping with action with some suspense thrown in.

Currently, the Three Investigators are trying to figure out the mystery of the gold statuette. While reading the story, I keep thinking about something Jupe told Bob and Pete. He told them that one should never jump to conclusions and that everything is not what it appears. I have to agree with Jupe because people tend to rush to judgment before looking at all of the facts. When problems arise, you have to let the facts be the guide to a solution and remain calm. During all of my leadership training, I have learned as well as observed that decisions are best made when calm. Jupiter without a doubt makes decisions based on the facts while keeping his cool.

Another thing I noticed about the story is that Mr. Ted Sandow appears to be a very suspicious individual. He shows up the day after the statuette disappears, locates the Three Investigators, and asks Jupiter's family to clean out a large amount of junk at the Sandow estate. My gut tells me that he is not who he says he is because Ms. Sandow is a widow. I have not come across evidence that suggests she has family members. I guess I will have to wait and see.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gehrisch

August 27, 2014

Dear Wolves,

I am having so much fun reading The Mystery of the Laughing Shadow because the book reminds so much of the series I read as a kid. As you know, the book centers around the Three Investigators Jupiter Jones, Pete Crenshaw, and Bob Andrews. The boys always seem to get themselves entangled in a mystery dripping with action with some suspense thrown in.

Currently, the Three Investigators are trying to figure out the mystery of the gold statuette. While reading the story, I keep thinking about something Jupe told Bob and Pete. **Both Bob and Pete thought they had the answers to the case shortly after their run in with the laughing shadow at the Sandow Estate.** He told them that one should never jump to conclusions and that everything is not what it appears. **Jupiter supports his statement by asking the guys to describe the sound of the laughing shadow. Bob and Pete both explained what they heard differently.** I have to agree with Jupe because people tend to rush to judgment before looking at all of the facts. When problems arise, you have to let the facts be the guide to a solution and remain calm. During all of my leadership training, I have learned as well observed that decisions are best made when calm. Jupiter without a doubt makes decisions based on the facts while keeping his cool.

**If I take Jupiter's advice, I noticed ~~about the story is~~ that Mr. Ted Sandow appears to be a very suspicious individual.** He shows up the day after the statuette disappears, locates the Three Investigators, and asks Jupiter's family to clean out a large amount of junk at the Sandow estate. My gut tells me that he is not who he says he is because Ms. Sandow is a widow. I have not come across evidence that suggests she has family members. **Since Ted invites himself to be a part of the investigation, I think he wants the Three Investigators to find the statuette for him. In addition, there is supposedly two statuettes which means that Ted needs the message to help him unlock a clue of some sorts. I am not sure how it all fits together, so** I guess I will have to wait and see.

Sincerely,

Mr. Gehrisch

# Proofreading Your Journal Response

1. Reread your letter to be sure it makes sense.
2. Be sure you have responded to what the teacher or peer wrote to you.
3. Check your opening, closing, and write the date.
4. Be sure to fully explain yourself.
5. Check your spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and properly written sentences

**\*\*\* DO NOT WRITE ONLY A SUMMARY!\*\*\***

Reader's Responses  
should be:

NEAT!

WELL WRITTEN!

A PUBLISH PIECE

YOU ARE PROUD OF!