Promoting Critical Reading Skills:  
Personal Response

Title, Author of Reading: ____________________________________________

Pages Assigned: __________ Date: __________

Main Topic/ Argument/Keywords ______________________________________

The purpose of this worksheet is to help you:
- reflect on your own reading process, with the aim of developing strategies to read more effectively
- develop realistic assessments of the time it takes to complete course readings
- remember specific readings and assess your understanding of them, to help you plan future assignments and study requirements
- develop your critical thinking skills by increasing your awareness of the difference between personal responses and opinions, and appropriate academic strategies for evaluation and critique

Answer the following questions, to note your personal responses to this reading:

Overall, did you like this reading and find it interesting? Why or why not?

How long did it take you to read this assigned reading? ________________ hours/mins

How well do you feel you understand this reading?

Do you have a clear sense of why it was assigned? How important do you think it is, to course objectives?

What did you like best about this reading? What did you like least about this reading?

What parts would you like further clarification on? What questions does the reading raise for you?

In reviewing this reading later in the course, for assignments or test preparation, how much detail will you need to remember and how long do you think it will take you?