

## The Little Train Who Thought He Could-Reading Reflection Assignment Example

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In this section of the novel, the important things that have happened are as follows: Firstly we are introduced to the character of the Little Train. He is upset because all of the bigger trains say he is too little to go up the mountain and that he will never be able to make it. He doesn't believe them and decides to prove they are wrong. He decides to go up the mountain despite what they say. When he gets to the mountain he starts up the hill and has quite a bit of trouble. Instead of giving up he tells himself "I think I can. I think I can" over and over as he slowly makes his way up. By believing in himself he eventually reaches the top and shows that with effort and perseverance you can accomplish a lot of things people never thought you could.

One thing I think about this section of the novel is that the little train is very brave and smart because he doesn't listen to the other trains when they tell him he can't do it, and works hard to show he can.

One thing I (did/didn't) like about this section was that the little train proved the other trains wrong because I have had people tell me I wouldn't be able to do things before and it feels good when you prove you can. For example, one time my brother said I wasn't strong enough to help lift up a bucket of cement and I did.

One section of the novel that made me feel happy was when the little train made it to the top of the mountain because I like it when the underdog wins. The other trains all thought he couldn't do it but he proved them wrong.

One question I have after reading this section of the novel is why the other trains weren't more encouraging to the little train because it seems really selfish and mean to discourage someone from trying to do something, instead of trying to help them.

One thing that this section of the novel reminds me of is when students think they can't do something just because other people told them couldn't or because it is hard for them because I believe that everyone is capable of doing great things. All it takes is effort, time and patience. I wish they had the mindset of the little train who thinks he can, because they can too.

One thing that was (interesting/boring) about this section of the novel was when the little train decided to try going up the hill anyways because I thought he might give up after all the other trains told him he couldn't do it. The fact that he did made me interested to see if he could do it.

One character I (relate/don't relate) to in this section of the novel is the trains that tell him he won't be able to go up the mountain because that is the opposite of how I approach things in life. I wouldn't tell someone they can't accomplish something because you never know until you put in the effort and try.

One thing that I think is going to happen in the novel is that the other trains are going to think twice about what the little train can do in the future because they didn't think he could make it up the hill. Who knows what he might be capable of?