

Writing a Brilliant Book Review with Pip

Learning objective: To write a clear and persuasive book review, including a summary of the plot and personal opinions.

Pip the bookworm caterpillar has just finished a fantastic story! Use this frame to write your own review. Start with the title and author, give a brief summary of what happens, and then explain why you liked (or disliked) it. Remember to include your star rating!

Word bank: recommend · fascinating · character · plot · suspense · exciting · opinion · conclusion · favourite · chapter

1. What is the title of the book you are reviewing and who is the author? (1 mark)

2. In two or three sentences, explain what the story is about without giving away the ending. (This is the plot summary). (3 marks)

3. Who is your favourite character in the book and why? Use a descriptive adjective to describe them. (2 marks)

4. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Explain your reason using the word 'because'. (2 marks)

5. If you could change one thing about the story, what would it be and why? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a new front cover for your book. Make sure the illustration shows the most exciting part of the story to make other children want to read it!



Extension challenge: Write a 'blurb' for the back of your book. Can you use three rhetorical questions to make the reader feel curious about the story?