

Pip's Perfect Book Review

Learning objective: To write a formal book review that evaluates a story, discusses themes, and provides a clear recommendation for other readers.

Pip the bookworm caterpillar wants to know what you think of your latest read! Use this template to organise your thoughts. Remember to use descriptive adjectives and explain 'why' you feel the way you do about the book. When you finish, check your spelling and punctuation to make sure it is ready for your classmates to read.

Word bank: captivating · suspenseful · characterisation · narrative · perspective · recommendation · pacing · vivid · imaginative · thought-provoking

1. Book Details: State the title, the author, and the genre of the book. Why did you choose this book to read? (2 marks)

2. The Plot Summary: Briefly explain what happens in the story without revealing the ending (no spoilers!). What is the main conflict? (4 marks)

3. Character Analysis: Choose one character. Describe their personality and how they change or develop throughout the story. (3 marks)

4. Your Opinion: What was your favourite part of the book and why? Was there anything you found confusing or would have liked the author to change? (3 marks)

5. Recommendation: Who would you recommend this book to? Give your review a star rating out of 5 and explain your reasoning. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Imagine you are the author of the book. Write a short 'thank you' letter to a reader who has just finished your story, explaining which scene was your favourite to write.