

Book Review Template

Title of Book: (Underline the title of the novel!)

Author:

From whose Point of View is the novel written? (1st person narrator [from whose eyes and mind], 3rd person omniscient, or 3rd person limited?) Explain why this point of view is effective for this novel.

List Four Characters *and* explain their importance or significance to the novel as a whole. (At least four detailed sentences for each character are needed. Mention character traits!)

1.

2.

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4.

**Main Conflict or Challenge in the novel for the protagonist (main character):
(Three – Four sentences)**

Climax of the novel (the main turning point): (Three to Four sentences)

How the main conflict or challenge is resolved by the end of the novel: (Five sentences)

State two main themes of the novel, *and* explain why they are themes of the story, using specifics of the story to justify your point (at least 3-4 sentences needed):

1.

2.

Name **three literary devices** the author used to help make this novel meaningful and interesting *and* **explain how and where they are used** in the novel and **SPECIFICALLY WHY the use of this literary device enhances the meaning of the novel. Cite two specific examples from the novel where these literary devices are used.** (include page numbers) Literary devices include: symbolism, foreshadowing, flashbacks, irony, diction, figurative language, creative/realistic imagery, satire, syntax, persuasive/rhetorical devices,

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Choose two quotes from the novel, write them down, AND the page number, and explain how these quotes are especially meaningful or significant to the novel's themes or to the development of character. (At least 4 Sentences for each)

1.

2.

In 8-10 sentences, explain why you would or would not recommend this book to others: (Please spell the word recommend correctly. ☺) **Be analytical and specific – Do not say: “because this book was exciting” or “because it was a good book”...) Mention how this book relates to your life...how has it inspired you...with what character do you most identify...strengths and weaknesses of the novel...etc. Use PROOF from the novel to back up your assertions. **This mini-critique should be written as a 3.8 paragraph, and will be evaluated as such.****