



guide to book reviewing!



We just love reading books and are always telling people about them. One of the best ways to get your views across to other people is to write a book review. Book reviewing is great fun as it gives you the chance to say what you really think! We've written a few tips below to help you to write your own book review whether at school or home. Enjoy!

- **choose your book carefully** – If you get the chance to choose a book to review then make sure that it's one that gives you lots to say. If you loved or hated a book it's often easier to explain why, than if you thought the book was average
- **be honest!** – If you don't like a book you should say it – but don't forget that you always have to explain why!
- **tell your reader what the book is about** – Although it's pretty difficult to do, try to explain what the book is about in two or three lines
- **characters** – Who was your favourite character and why? Did they make you laugh or cry?
- **setting** – Where does the story take place? Is it somewhere exciting? Does the author make you believe in this place? How do they manage this?
- **highlights of the book** – What did you like best about the book? What was your favourite part, and what parts didn't you like as much?
- **adjectives** – Use different adjectives to tell the readers of your review what you think about the book. Make them as interesting and truthful as possible! (I thought this book was absolutely incredible. It was so scary I was shivering while I was reading it.)
- **rate the book out of ten** – Why not give the book a mark out of ten to show people what you really think?

