



Reading
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READING IS
DREAMING WITH
OPEN EYES!





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Dear Students

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Reading books is good for you because it improves your focus, memory, empathy, and communication skills. It can reduce stress, improve your mental health, and improve general knowledge. Reading also allows you to learn new things to help you succeed in your studies and extra-curricular activities

Writing a book review gives you an opportunity to reflect on the book and helps you connect events and themes and develop a deeper understanding of the story. As you think back, you often gain a different perspective and pick up on things that you missed when you were reading it initially.

Please note that you will be given an opportunity to present your review and prizes will be given for the Best Reviews. (Only original work will be considered)

Book Review Template for Middle School

- **Summary:**

Write a summary of the book 1st paragraph- Write about the setting, (where the story takes place, usually time and place). Introduce the main character or characters in the story. Ex. What are character's qualities, name, etc. Discuss what conflict/problem the main character faces in the story. If you're still having trouble starting, you can answer the questions who, what, when, where, and how.

- **2nd paragraph-**

Summarize what happens up until the high point of the story, (don't give away the ending, this should be just enough to tease the reading into wanting to get this book.

• **Opinion:**

Write a paragraph giving your opinion on the book. Use these guidelines. Write about why you like or dislike the book. Give details, for example: Was the book confusing? Was it too easy to read or too hard? Was it predictable/ believable? Did you like the ending? What was your favourite part? What connections did you make with your life or other books? Talk about the author's style of writing and give examples from the book. Min 5 sentences.

• **Recommendation:**

Explain whether you would recommend this book to student or not? Rate the book from 1 star to 5 stars, and give examples why you gave it the rating you did. Examples should include a quote or quotes from the book or a summary of the part of the book that you liked or did not like.

Recommended Books

Grade 6

1. **When You Reach Me** by Rebecca Stead
2. **Black Beauty** by Anna Sewell
3. **Space Case** by Stuart Gibbs
4. **My Side of the Mountain** by Jean Craighead George
5. **Out Of My Mind** by Sharon Draper
6. **The Secret Garden** by Frances Hodson Burnett
7. **The Jungle Book** by Rudyard Kipling
8. **Awkward** by Svetlana Chmakova
9. **The Cricket in Times Square** by George Selden
10. **Beetle Boy** by MG Leonard



Grade 7

1. **New Kid** by Jerry Craft
2. **A Place to Belong** by Cynthia Kadohata
3. **Shiloh** by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
4. **Swallows and Amazons** by Arthur Ransome
5. **The Adventures of Huckle Berry Finn** by Mark Twain
6. **Touching the Void** by Joe Simpson
7. **Watership Down** by Richard Adams
8. **Refugee Boy** by Benjamin Zephaniah
9. **Tom Sawyer** by Mark Twain
10. **Charlie and The Chocolate factory** by Roald Dahl



Grade 8

1. **My Family and Other Animals** by Gerald Durrell
2. **Animal farm** by George Orwell
3. **The Adventures of Huckle Berry Finn** by Mark Twain
4. **Diary of a Young Girl** by Anne Frank
5. **Life of Pi** by Yann Martel
6. **The Count of Monte Cristo** by Alexander Dumas
7. **A Tale of Two Cities** by Charles Darwin
8. **Long Walk to freedom** by Nelson Mandela
9. **Around the World in 80 days** by Jules Verne
10. **A Passage to India** by E.M. Forster



 *Happy Reading!* 

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