

Reading Ahead: 5 top tips for writing a review.

1. The most important thing to remember is that you don't need to describe the plot of the book - **a review is all about your opinion**. If a friend asked you whether they should read the book what would you tell them?
2. Tell us what you **enjoyed** about the book? How did it make you **feel**? Was it funny? Emotional? Was it easy to read? What did you think about the **characters**?
3. If you hated everything about it, tell us why! Did it make you feel angry? Or bored? Was it too long? **You won't love every book you read so don't be afraid to be critical**.
4. **Avoid spoilers** – other readers will be interested in your opinion on the book so don't give away the ending!
5. At the end of your review suggest **who you think would enjoy this book** (for example, young adults, fans of mystery books, parents), this can help other people decide what to read next.

Summarise your view by giving the book a score out of 5!

