

- Introduction: include title of book, author, date and a suggestion of your view
- Summarise the main features of the plot but don't give away the ending
- Add a bit about characters: who you liked / didn't like; how believable they were
- What are the main ideas?
- Sum up what you thought of the book and if it is worth reading

Decide on the tone you want to use: Casual (colloquial) or formal?

Colloquial: <i>Here is a book that will get you thinking/ jumping/etc.</i>	Formal: <i>'Title' is a worthy addition to anybody's library.</i>
Colloquial: <i>I rate this as a hopeless four out of ten.</i>	Formal: <i>This is not a book that will appeal to many.</i>

Let's break the rules!

Read the [review](#) by Darren Levy and annotate in the column. Find where he deals with:

Character	Plot	Idea	Writing style	Setting	Opinion	Structure
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What tone does he use?

What conclusion can you draw about good book reviews? Do they have to follow a formula?