

Fiction

1. Are the characters realistically drawn? Which do you think are the most lifelike? Are their motivations clear? Is their behaviour consistent within their characterization?
2. What is your favourite part of the book? What is your least favourite part? When you were reading, did you find the book engaging and you didn't want to put it down, or was it slow going in places? What might have helped the pace of the book?
3. How effectively is the premise of the book revealed? Is the author's purpose clear from the outset? Do any questions remain after reading the book? If you had the opportunity to question the author, what would you ask?
4. What is the hook in the opening pages? What made you want to read on? How did the story continue to draw you in? What part affected you most when you were reading?
5. What impact do the plot resolution and the ending of the book have? Is the conclusion satisfying to the reader, or is it too abrupt or too unexpected?
6. Describe the setting. Is it a prominent part of the book, or is it nondescript? How important is the setting to the plot? How does the setting affect the characters or their actions?
7. How effectively does the author develop the themes of the book? Does the author succeed in conveying the themes naturally? Are the themes impactful? Will they remain with you?
8. How appropriate is the title of the book? Does it give the reader any hints about what to expect in the book? Can you suggest a better title?
9. Is the author one you've read before? Would you choose to read this book again? Is this book one of a kind, or does it remind you of any other books you've read?
10. If you were asked to write a review of the book, what would you say are the book's strongest and weakest features? Explain why you would or would not recommend the book.