

(very simple) Guidelines for Teen Book Reviews

- (Obviously) include the title and author of the book at the top.
- Then, write a couple of sentences describing what the book is about (the plot, etc.). I don't want a whole synopsis, and *don't give away the ending!* Just a few very basic lines of description.
- Next, include several sentences giving your opinion of the book – what you liked or didn't like about it, who you think would like the book (who would you recommend it to), how it made you feel or think, etc. This is the important part of a book review – how YOU felt about the book – so be honest! This isn't a school assignment, so write like you're recommending (or not recommending) the book to a friend.
- Email me the review at tbarrios@ci.glendale.ca.us, either in the body of an email, or as a Word attachment, whichever you prefer.

Other considerations:

- Be as creative as you want to be! You can review anything that you're reading for pleasure (not for school!!!) – fiction, nonfiction, manga – anything you want.
- They don't need to be long – just a paragraph. 2-3 sentences about the plot, and 3-5 sentences giving your opinion/recommendations about the book is about ideal.
- I'll give you one hour of volunteer credit for every review, as long as it's substantial enough to warrant it.
- Let me know how you want to be credited, since I'm going to be posting these on the teen blog. First name, initials, or even anonymous is fine with me. Whatever you prefer. Also tell me what grade you're in.
- Take a look at www.glendaleteens.blogspot.com/ to see some examples.

Call or email me with any questions!

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