



Contributing to the Literary Conversation about *Backbiters*



Your opinion matters! You can share your opinions directly with the author, and you can contribute to literary conversations online by leaving reviews. Book reviews are not fiction, but that doesn't mean that they can't be creative. You can give your opinions using vivid imagery while giving your unique take and incorporating your personal preferences. When writing to the author, it is great to be honest and give suggestions or constructive criticism, but remember that authors are people too, so it is usually best to be kind.

Create your review; this is one of many possible formats you could follow:

Sentence 1: In general, it is advised to use the name of the book in the first sentence, along with the name of the author, but you can begin to infuse your review with creativity from line one with colorful epithets, such as "this journey into a fantastic world" or "this travesty of a tale."

Sentence 2: Tell the genre of the book and give a very brief overview of what the book is about. This can be very short in an online review; it should be more comprehensive if you submit a book review to a magazine or journal.

Sentence 3: Tell the reader what you liked about the book: characters? setting? thought-provoking? unique? Troodies? favorite part?

Sentence 4: Tell the reader what could be improved: language? pace? relationships? romance? dragonflies? least favorite scene?

Sentence 5: Qualify your review by sharing something about yourself, such as "I should know because I have read a hundred dystopian novels" or "I usually only read comic books so that might affect my interpretation."

Sentence 6: Tell for whom you would recommend this book, such as "I recommend the book for middle-schoolers who like complex stories" or "I recommend the book to high-school students who like big words" or "I recommend the book for people who need paper to start a campfire."

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