

## Present your opinions

Write a review of the book, giving reasons for your opinions.

Talk about **what happens** in the book, and express your **own feelings** about it. Try to include examples from the book that **support your opinions**.

Think about: the characters, the plot, the setting and how the author has told the story.

## Include in your review

### INTRODUCTION

Present the main theme and events of the book and your general opinion of it.

### DEVELOPMENT

Present your ideas and give evidence for or against to support your opinions.

### CONCLUSION

Sum up your arguments to finish your review.

## Language features of your review

### Basic level

- Organise your ideas into **paragraphs**, for example, talk about the plot in paragraph 1, then express your opinions in paragraph 2 and say who would enjoy the story in paragraph 3.
- Use **conjunctions** (such as *and, but, when, if, that, because, although*) to write sentences that explain your point.
- Use **noun phrases** to describe things accurately. Choose nouns and pronouns appropriately to make your writing clear and avoid repetition.
- **Proofread** your review. Have you used the present and past tenses correctly? Remember to check your **irregular verbs**.
- Check that you have used **capital letters** and other punctuation marks correctly.

### Advanced level

- Use a formal style, with appropriate vocabulary and grammar, including the **subjunctive** form and **passive verbs**.
- Use the **present perfect** form of verbs to mark relationships of time and cause. Use **modal verbs** or **adverbs** to indicate degrees of possibility.
- Use **expanded noun phrases** to convey complicated information.
- Use **relative clauses** beginning with *who, which, where, when, whose, that* or *with*.
- Use appropriate **punctuation**, such as brackets, dashes, commas, colons, semicolons and bullet points to organise your ideas. Use possessive apostrophes correctly, including plural nouns.

## REMEMBER

Use a formal, written style of language. Reread and check your work for mistakes!