

# Book Review Questions for Use with any Novel

Write a Review of the novel you have studied under the following headings. Use the questions to help you to plan. Decide which questions suit your novel.

## STORYLINE

Did the story have a good beginning?

Was this story believable?

Was there a lot of action?

What was the most exciting moment in the book?

What did you think was the most important point, or climax, of the novel?

Did you want to read the book to the end? Why?

Were you happy with the ending?

*Use examples and quotes from the novel to make points when answering these questions.*

## SETTING

When and where is your novel set?

Was there anything unusual or different about it?

Were the descriptions good?

Could you see the places in your mind?

*Remember to give examples!*

## CHARACTERS

Pick the main character in the novel you studied.

Were they 'real'?

Did you like them? Why or why not?

If you were describing them to a stranger, what words would you use?

If you could ask them any questions, what would you ask?

What other people were significant in their lives, and why?

*Did you give examples?*

## Dive In!

### THEME

If you had to say what the novel was about in one sentence how would you describe it?

At what points in the novel was the main issue obvious?

Did it make you think about the issue in a new way, or even think about it for the first time?

*Give examples!*

### LANGUAGE

Did you find this book easy to read?

Pick out your favourite description.

Did the language the writer used suit the characters?

*Remember to give examples.*

### CONCLUSION

Would you recommend this book and why?

Who would you recommend it to?

