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## Write a Book Review: Nonfiction

Would you like to recommend a fabulous book to students like you across the country? Write a review, send it to us, and you might be chosen for our Reviews by You feature! Use the guide below to help you write a great review.

**Directions:** Read the prompts on the left. Use them to write parts of your book review in the spaces on the right. Then put the parts together on a separate sheet of paper.

**1. Hook your readers with a great opening line. Make sure you include the book's title and author's name in the first or second sentence.**

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**2. Introduce the main topic of the book in two or three exciting, well-written sentences. Remember, readers might not be familiar with the topic, so make sure you clearly explain who or what the book is about.**

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**3. Tell why you like this book. Did it make you feel like you were in another time or place? Introduce you to an admirable person? Help you understand something? Support your opinion with examples from the book.**

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**4. Write a concluding sentence, stressing why other kids would enjoy this book.**

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Now read through what you've written above. Ask yourself:

- ✓ Are there details I need to add or take out to help readers understand what I mean?
- ✓ Should I add or change any words to make the review more interesting or exciting?
- ✓ Have I given my opinion in a convincing way, with details from the book to back it up?

Make any necessary changes, then copy your review onto a separate sheet of paper. It should be about 125 words long. Send it to us along with the official Reviews by You entry form. Ask your teacher or see page 2 of *Storyworks* for more details.