

# EMAILS REVIEWING BOOKS AND FILMS

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WRITING SKILLS

## MAIN POINTS

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**Reviews are short descriptions of books, films, plays, TV programs, etc. informing the readers and giving them the writers opinion or recommendation.**

# STRUCTURE


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- An introduction giving background information;
- A main body consisting of two paragraphs: the plot and the writer's opinion;
- A conclusion recommending or not recommending a book or a film, giving reasons to support your recommendation

# ACTIVE VOCABULARY

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<b>Plot</b>	<b>intriguing, mysterious, clever, interesting, well-written, well-developed, fast-paced, slow paced, predictable, funny, unimaginative, exciting</b>
Characters	mysterious, clever, interesting, likable, irritating, dull, evil, unusual, shallow, well-developed
Beginning/ending	Slow-paced, dull, unusual, predictable, unexpected, disappointing, exciting, surprising, satisfying



# USEFUL PHRASES

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- I really think that you should read the book.
- I think that this is the author's best book so far.
- I would highly recommend the book to you.
- I wasn't too keen on the beginning.
- In my opinion, some of the characters were a bit shallow.
- I found the plot extremely dull.
- If I were you, I'd definitely give reading this book a try.

# PLAN

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**Intriduction**

Para 1

Who wrote it?  
Where is it set?  
What type is it?  
What is the title  
of the book?

**Main body**

Para 2  
Para 3

2) Main points of the  
plot, main characters  
3) Your comments

**Conclusion**

Para 4

Your opinion