**Writing a book review**

What information will you need?

* The book’s title and author/s
* A brief summary of the plot that doesn’t give away too much
* Comments on the book’s strengths and weaknesses
* The reviewer’s personal response to the book with specific examples to support praise or criticism

Some ideas to keep in mind while writing the review:

* Does the book fit into a genre, like mystery, adventure or quest?
* When and where does the action in the book take place? Does the author do a good job of making you feel like you are there? How?
* Are the main characters believable? Do you know anyone like them? Does the author describe them well?
* What do you like or dislike about the author’s writing style? That is, do you like the way the author uses words?
* Use concrete examples to back up your points, such as describing a scene that really moved you or using a couple of short quotes from the book (inverted commas).

Don’t forget to include your opinion of the book, whether you liked or disliked it.