



Book Reviews

For children in grades 3 - 5:

A book review is a great way to share your opinion of a book you have read and help guide other kids in their reading choices. We are looking for reviews of any books that are of an appropriate reading level for grades 3 - 5. Reviews following the guidelines below should be emailed to Children's Librarian, Marcela Lenihan at marcela@emmaclark.org. Accepted reviews will earn one hour of community service. There is a limit of 5 book reviews per month, which earn 5 hours of credit. If your book review is for a unique book or is especially well-written, it may be published on our Kids' page!

General Guidelines:

1. Reviews should be submitted via email in an attached Word or shared Google document and must include the Title, Author, Reviewer Full Name (only first name will be used in the posted review), Age and Grade.
2. Please rate the book with a "thumbs up" - meaning "I liked this book and would recommend it" or a "thumbs down" - meaning "I did not like this book and would not recommend it"
3. Write a short paragraph of between 100 and 200 words describing the book and what you thought of it. For fiction, remember to discuss the main character, the issues they face, and the theme of the book, but don't give away the ending! For non-fiction, remember to discuss the subject of the book and your opinion of the illustrations and photos.
4. Please have an adult proofread your review and correct spelling and grammatical errors. Make sure the book title and character names are correct.

*Tip: Word documents keep a running total of your word count in the lower left hand corner so you don't have to actually count the words! Google documents will also give you the word count under the Tools tab.

Book reviews must be free of spelling and grammatical errors in order to receive credit.