



**INDIAN SCHOOL MUSCAT**  
**MIDDLE SECTION - DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**  
**ACTIVITY- CLASS VIII - BOOK REVIEW 2019-2020**



**HOW TO WRITE A BOOK REVIEW**

The following are the standard points for writing a book review:

**TITLE:** What is the title of the book?

**AUTHOR:** Who wrote the book?

**TYPE OF BOOK:** Is it a detective story, thriller, horror story, historical novel, science fiction or an entertaining piece of work?

**SUBJECT:** What is the book about e.g. family life, a mystery, an adventure?

**CHARACTERS:** Who are the characters in the story and their relationship?

**SETTING:** Where does the story take place?

**TIME:** Is it written in present time, or is it historical, or set in the future?

**STORY LINE:** Summary of the story.

**MESSAGE:** Is the writer giving any message in the story?

**COMMENTS:** Is it easy or difficult to read, short/ long book?

How would you like to describe the story?

Realistic/ amusing/ thrilling/ exciting/ fast-moving/ tragic etc.

Did you like it, why/ why not?

**ASSIGNMENT**

- Choose a book and read it thoroughly.
- Write a good review of the book you read following the guidelines given above.
- Book review must be hand written in minimum 1 page and maximum 2 pages.
- Prepare a cover page for your book review. The cover page should include: title of the book, author's name, name of the publication, date of publication and number of pages in the book.
- Write your full name, class, section and roll number at the bottom of the cover page.
- An oral presentation of the book review has to be done while submitting the assignment.

**Submit the assignment in a folder on or before 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020.**

S.No	Name of Book	Author
1.	What Katy Did	Susan Coolidge
2.	Queen of Ice	Devika Rangachari
3.	The Crystal Ribbon	Celeste Lim
4.	The Night Diary	Veera Hiranandani
5.	David Copperfield	Charles Dickens
6.	Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
7.	Treasure Island	R.L. Stevenson
8.	PAX	Sara Penny Packer
9.	Life of Pi	Yann Martel
10.	Pride and Prejudice	Jane Austen
11.	Rebecca	E.M. Foster
12.	Amulet	Daphne Du Maurier
13.	Adventures of Sherlock Holmes	Arthur Conan Doyle
14.	Journey to the Centre of the Earth	Jules Verne
15.	Lord of the Flies	William Golding
16.	God of Small Things	Arundhati Roy
17.	Twenty Thousand Leagues under the sea	Jules Verne
18.	The Secret Garden	Francis H. Burnett
19.	Anne of Green Gables	L.M. Montgomery
20.	The Time Machine	H.G. Wells
21.	Holes	Sachar Louis
22.	Robinson Crusoe	Daniel Defoe
23.	To kill a Mockingbird	Harper Lee
24.	Wonder	R.J Palacio
25.	Steelheart	Brandon Sanderson
26.	Red Queen	Victoria Aveyard
27.	Vanity Fair	William Thackeray
28.	Life on The Mississippi	Mark Twain
29.	Swami and his Friends	R.K. Narayan
30.	Mahaswetha	Sudha Murthy
31.	The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	R.L Stevenson
32.	Little Women	Lousia May Alcott
33.	The Book Thief	Markus Zusak

34.	The Room on the Roof	Ruskin Bond
35.	Rusty runs away	Ruskin Bond
36.	A Suitable Boy	Vikram Seth
37.	The Golden Gate	Vikram Seth
38.	The Phantom Tollbooth	Norton Juster
39.	Three Men in a Boat	Jerome K. Jerome
40.	The Tale of Two Cities	Charles Dickens
41.	Kane Chronicles	Rick Riordan
42.	Heroes of Olympus	Rick Riordan
43.	Heidi	Johanna Spyri