Destiny Book Reviews

You need these things to get your book review posted:

1. You must have read the book you are reviewing
2. Have punctuation and spelling correct
3. End the review with your first name, grade level, and school name.

Tips for Writing a Book Review for Fiction:

1. Try and “hook” the reader into wanting to read the book.
2. Write a summary statement (focus on answering, “Who is the main character and what does he/she want?”) Try to keep this under two sentences (remember, a blurb about the book is already in Destiny).
3. Give two or three reasons why you liked the book and support with details from the text.
4. Do not give away the ending of the book.
5. Write the review in Google Docs, spell check, then copy and paste into Destiny. Remember, your review can be seen by all students, teachers, and parents in the Everett School District, so present yourself well by showing high quality work.
6. Mr. Smith will be the editor. When your review is well written, he will publish it.

Example Book Review:

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The War that Saved My Life was one of the best historical fiction novels I have read in quite a while. The book is about a girl named Ada who has a club foot and is seen as a “cripple” by her cruel mom. One of the things that Ada wants more than anything is to escape from her life in 1940’s London and be seen as more than a cripple. One of the reasons I loved this book was the inner strength that Ada shows. For example, towards the beginning of the book, Ada escapes with her brother Jaimie (without their mom knowing) to the trains to be evacuated from London because of the threat of bombings by the German airforce. In addition, since the story is written from Ada’s perspective, the
author’s description really helped me understand the world from her point of view. For example, when Ada first leaves London, she is surprised to see so much green in the country. The author writes, “The buildings ended and suddenly there was green. Green everywhere. Bright, vibrant, astonishing green, floating into the air toward the blue, blue sky.” I have always been interested in World War II, so the setting of this book was very interesting to me as well. The characters feel very real and so does the danger. If you like historical fiction (or even if you don’t!), you should not miss reading this book! Mark, Fifth Grade, Cedar Wood Elementary

Tips for Writing a Book Review for Nonfiction:

1. Try and “hook” the reader into wanting to read the book.
2. Write about two or three things in the book that you learned about.
3. Write the review in Google Docs, then copy and paste it into Destiny.
4. Mr. Smith will be the editor. When your review is well written, he will publish it.

Example Book Review:

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I learned a lot about weather from reading this book. One interesting fact I learned is that there is such a thing as snow donuts! When a snowball starts rolling, it picks up more snow and the wind can blow the soft snow away in the middle! I would love to see a rolling snow donut! I also learned about fulgurites, which is when lightning strikes sand and it can create hard tubes of sand that are in the same shape as the lightning bolt! If you like weather and would like to read about other interesting facts, then you should definitely read this book! Mark, Fifth Grade, Cedar Wood Elementary