

How to write a Book Report

Introduction:

- 1- Identify the author and title of the work, and include in parentheses the publisher and the publication date.
- 2- Put a thesis statement.

Summary:

Write a summary of 60 to 80 words to highlight the main points.

Reaction:

- 1- Write 2 or 3 paragraphs.
- 2- Write a topic sentence for each idea.
- 3- Provide evidence and support by using quotations from the book.

Conclusion:

Give your opinion and what lesson one can learn from the book.

How to respond or react to a text

- 1- Relate the issue to your personal life.
- 2- Evaluate the examples the author gives. Are they relevant? Are they enough?
- 3- Add your own examples, facts, statistics, or authority to agree or disagree with what the author says.
- 4- Discuss the causes and effects of the issue. Mention any others that the author did not include.
- 5- Conclude by paraphrasing your thesis and main points.



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**Steps for writing a
book report and for
responding to text**