



EFAL IP

To: Parents and teachers of Grade 4 - 6 learners

Topic: Recovery - Writing a book review

Message Objectives: To help learners summarise, analyse and express their own opinions about a book.

Message:

A book review is a critical evaluation of a book. It means analysing a book and providing your opinion on it. Its purpose is to help people decide whether or not the book would interest them enough to read it. It reflects the opinions of the reviewer.

When we write a book review, we do the following:

- a. Start by giving information about the book: **title, author, type of book**
- b. Write a summary of the book without giving the plot away.
- c. Discuss what we liked about the book and give reasons.
- d. Mention things we didn't like about the book, if any, and give reasons.
- e. Use descriptive words to evaluate the text e.g. **enjoyable, informative, amazing, boring, funny, exciting etc**
- f. Give overall opinion about the book.

N.B Make use of Recovery Annual Teaching Plans and Planners and Trackers. They will help you track curriculum coverage and ensure all key concepts are covered.

Here are links for revised Annual Teaching Plans and Lesson Plans:

[PSRIP IP — National Education Collaboration Trust \(nect.org.za\)](http://nect.org.za)

[Recovery ATPs \(Trackers\) — National Education Collaboration Trust \(nect.org.za\)](http://nect.org.za)

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