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**DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING - IoT**

**Including CS & BCT**

**COURSE NAME : 23ENT101 ENGLISH FOR ENGINEERS**

**I YEAR / I SEMESTER**

**UNIT V: WRITING A REVIEW FOR THE BOOK READ RECENTLY**



# WHAT IS A BOOK REVIEW?

A brief evaluation of a book's content, style, and impact.

- a. Summary of the book (without spoilers!)
- b. Personal opinion
- c. Key takeaways
- d. Recommendation (or not) for others





# WHY WRITE A BOOK REVIEW?



- Improves critical thinking and writing skills
- Helps others decide whether to read the book
- Expresses your unique perspective
- Engages with a community of readers



# STRUCTURE OF A BOOK REVIEW

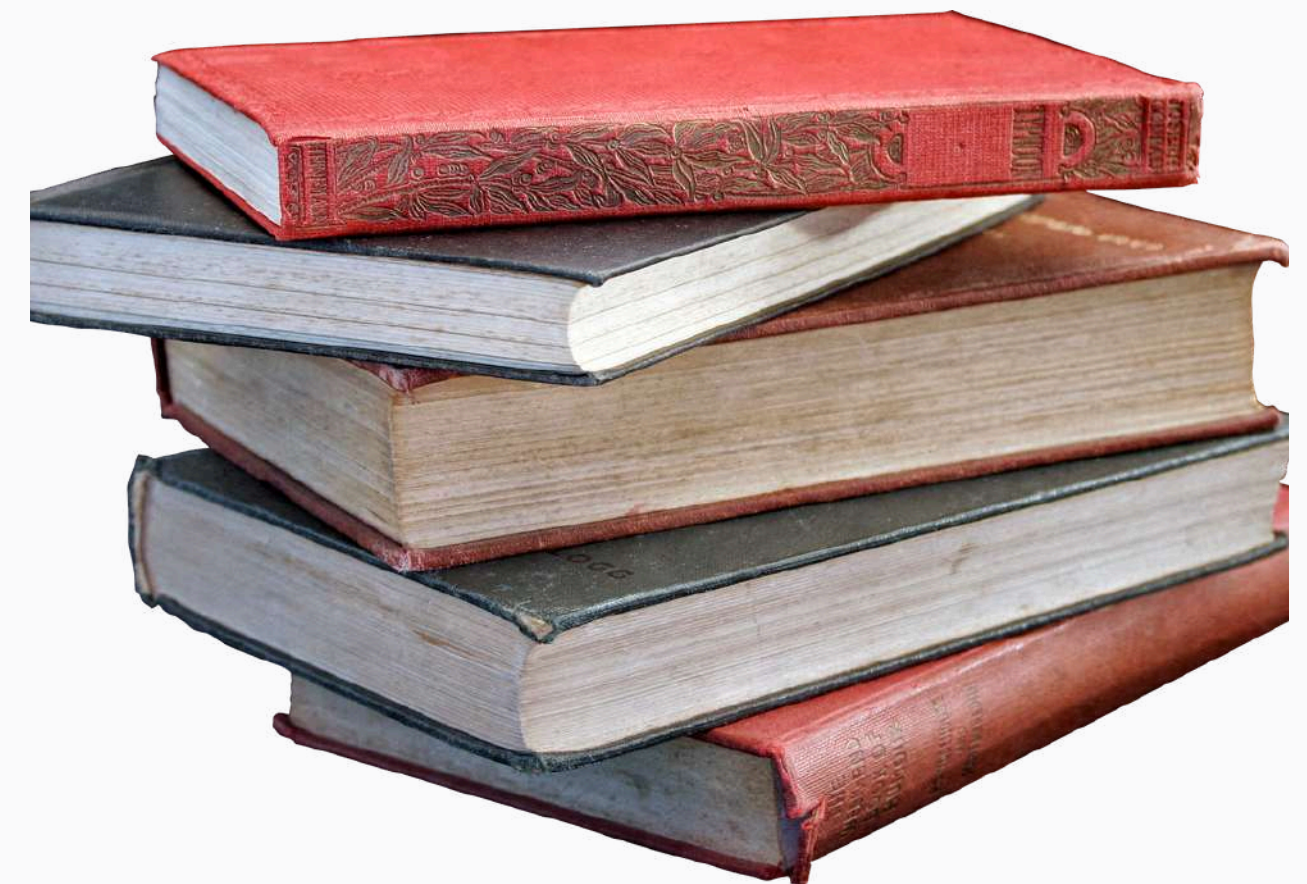


## 1. Introduction:

- Book title and author
- Genre and purpose of the book
- Brief context or background

## 2. Summary:

- Key plot points or themes (no spoilers)





# STRUCTURE OF A BOOK REVIEW



## 1. Analysis and Opinion:

- Strengths and weaknesses
- Writing style and tone
- Character development (if fiction)

## 2. Conclusion and Recommendation:

- Final thoughts
- Who would enjoy this book?



# EXAMPLE 1: FICTION BOOK REVIEW



## **Book Review: The Selfish Giant by Oscar Wilde**

Oscar Wilde's *The Selfish Giant* is a timeless classic that captures the essence of love, kindness, and redemption. This short yet profound story, part of Wilde's *The Happy Prince and Other Tales*, is a poignant fable that resonates with readers of all ages.



# Fiction Book Review



The story revolves around a giant who builds a high wall around his beautiful garden, forbidding children from playing there. His selfishness plunges the garden into perpetual winter, reflecting his cold and unyielding heart. However, when the children sneak back into the garden, their innocent joy brings the warmth of spring, and the Giant undergoes a heartwarming transformation.



# Fiction Book Review



Wilde's narrative is enriched with vivid imagery and symbolic elements. The perpetual winter represents isolation and the consequences of selfishness, while the arrival of spring signifies the power of love and selflessness. The story's Christian undertones, particularly in the appearance of a Christ-like child, add depth to its moral message.





# Fiction Book Review



What makes *The Selfish Giant* exceptional is its ability to convey profound life lessons in a simple and accessible manner. The story teaches us the importance of sharing, compassion, and the joys of community. Wilde's elegant prose and emotional depth ensure the story leaves a lasting impression on readers.



# Fiction Book Review



In conclusion, The Selfish Giant is not just a children's tale; it is a meaningful allegory for humanity. It reminds us that love and kindness have the power to transform even the hardest of hearts. Whether read as a bedtime story or analyzed for its deeper themes, this tale is a treasure trove of wisdom and emotion.



# BEGIN WITH BASIC INFORMATION



- Title and Author: Mention the book's title and the author's name.
- Genre: Specify the book's genre (fiction, non-fiction, mystery, fantasy, etc.).
- Context: Include publication details and any relevant background about the author or the book.



# PROVIDE A BRIEF SUMMARY



**Key Themes:** Highlight the main themes or ideas explored in the book.

**Strengths:** Discuss what the book does well, such as character development, storytelling, or language.

**Weaknesses:** Point out any aspects that could have been better, like pacing or depth of the narrative.



# CONVERSION – INTERROGATIVE SENTENCES



- Overall Impression: Summarize your final thoughts on the book.
- Recommendations: State who would enjoy or benefit from reading it.
- Rating: Optionally, include a star rating or a similar metric.

