

# Book Review Sample

**On top of the page:** List your first and last name. Under your name list the class hour.

**Title of the review:** Book title must be part of it.

**Introductory Paragraph:** Must include the title and author, and thesis (topic).

**Plot Summary:** In a few paragraphs write a plot summary. This is basically a narrative of the plot line; including exposition, hook, conflict, raising action, climax, falling action, and resolution. Summary needs to be detailed enough to support your opinion of the book and your conclusion.

**Opinion:** In a couple paragraphs state your opinion of the book. Include supportive evidence. Show Critical Thinking.

**Conclusion:** Bring the review to a close in a logical manner. Include your recommendation to read or not to read the book.

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3rd Hour

## “The Three Little Pigs” will Blow You Away

This year’s new book by John Q. Piggins entitled “The Three Little Pigs” is the best new novel since “Mary Had a Little Lamb.” I think you will enjoy Piggins’ novel about hate, laziness, and death.

The story begins with Mommy Pig telling her piglets to go out and seek their fortune and to always do their best. The first little pig quickly builds a house of straw. Soon after, the second little pig finishes a house of sticks. Three months later, the third little pig finishes a fine home made out of bricks.

The plot thickens when a big bad and hungry wolf sees the house of straw. In short order the wolf has blown it down and eaten the first pig. A repeat performance of blowing and eating happens to the second pig as well. The big question of this book is, “Will the wolf eat all the pigs?” I couldn’t put this book down after I read the part about the house of straw. It intrigued me that anyone would be dumb enough to build such a flimsy house.

In the last chapter of this 415 page novel, the wolf huffs and puffs, but can’t blow the house down. Then the wolf gets a bright idea to climb down the chimney and invade the brick house of the last pig. The third pig anticipates the wolf and has a big pot of boiling water in the fireplace. Down goes the wolf and into the pot. No more wolf. What a dramatic climax with the wolf cooked alive and made into dinner for the third pig. I enjoyed the irony of the climax.

While the plot is rather simple and redundant I enjoyed the moral that hard work pays. I recommend you read “The Three Little Pigs” soon in a Starbucks store near you.