

TLC Review Committee Guidelines

Here are the guidelines:

1. Tell Jen the title and author of the book you are reviewing.
2. Give a star rating to the book, based on our rating system.

The Star Rating System:

1 Star: Forget it, use it as a coaster.

2 Stars: Readable, but with so many other books, why bother?

3 Stars: Good, but it's not going to win the award for Book of the Year. (Or at least it shouldn't!)

4 Stars: Excellent. Not quite worthy of 5 stars, but almost there!

5 Stars: WONDERFUL! Run out and get it from the library! Do not stop until you have it in your hot little hands!

3. Provide a brief, ORIGINAL summary of the book (at least two complete sentences).
4. Provide a brief review of the book (at least 300 words). Did you like it? Why did you rate it as you did? Who would you recommend this book to? Remember not to give away the end!!! Consider these questions as you write your summary:

- Why did you decide to read this particular book? (For example: like the author; liked the cover; intrigued by the book flap summary; like the genre)
- What do you think you responded to most as you read the book? The characters? The plot? The setting? The language?
- Were you surprised you liked this book? If so, why?
- Could you relate to any of the characters or situations in the book?
- Would you consider this one of the best books you've read this year?

5. Tell me your full name (so I can keep track of your reviews) and grade. Reviews will only be posted using your first name and grade.

6. Please send your reviews to me at jen@millburnlibrary.org, with "Teen Review Volunteer" in the subject line or drop it off at the Reference Desk (it makes my life easier if it's typed!)