

Text type	REVIEW
Definition	a text giving a critical estimate of a work or performance
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - describe something you have experienced (book, film, video game etc.) - express and explain your opinion - make recommendations
Some aspects of content and structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - clearly structured: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • introduction arouses reader's interest (and mentions what is being reviewed) • main part offers descriptions, explanations, evaluation (the writer's opinion about central aspects supported by facts and examples; may include a <u>short outline</u> of the plot/background information) • ending includes recommendation (may be positive and/or negative) - evaluation may range from raving to panning <i>schwärmen</i> <i>verreißeln</i> - the review must correspond with the newspaper, magazine, website in/on which it will be published
Some aspects of language and style	<p>diction:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - descriptive vocabulary (adjectives, adverbs) - <u>positively and/or or negatively connoted vocabulary</u> - persuasive language - technical terms <p>register:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may vary (range from very informal to elaborate) <i>ausgeleitet</i> → in accordance with target readership/ publication etc. <p>tone:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>entertaining</u> manner of writing
Useful vocabulary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to be an excellent/entertaining/exciting read - to have a dramatic/immediate/lasting/... effect on - to arouse/draw/give rise to criticism - mounting/considerable/widespread/... criticism <i>wachsend</i> - highly gifted/incredibly intelligent/outstandingly talented - atmospheric/credible/gripping/memorable/... <i>stimmungsvoll, glaubwürdig, packend, unvergessl.</i> - implausible/disappointing/tedious/... <i>langweilig, ode</i> - to provide a valuable/revealing insight into - I would highly recommend it ... - Don't be put off by ... <i>abgeschreckt</i> - This is a must-buy / must-see

Example	<p>You have dealt with the novel "The curious incident of the dog in the night-time" by Mark Haddon.</p> <p>Next year's English Advanced Course will also be allowed to decide about what to read in class and knowing something about a book is always helpful.</p> <p>Write a review of the novel for your fellow students.</p>
Ideas for exercises	<p>provide your students with a model answer offering various possibilities for an interesting introduction</p>

work on student's vocabulary (pos+neg adjectives)

practise diff. introductions (quotation, character ...)

telephone call - convince sb. to go and watch a film