BOOK REVIEW

Useful Language: Vocabulary/Phrases /Expressions

Background:

The story is set...

The story takes place ...

This well-written/informative/fascinating book...

This original first novel...

The book tells the story of...

The book/novel was written by...

This work is based on...

Main points of the plot:

The book relates how..

The plot focuses on..

The story begins/concerns/ is about...

The plot has an unexpected twist...

The plot is (absolutely) thrilling / (rather) boring/ dull/clever/exciting.

General comments and opinion:

- It is rather confusing/long/slow/boring
- It has a tragic/surprising/dramatic end
- It is beautifully/poorly/badly written
- The story is gripping
- It is an inspiring story
- It's a fast-paced story
- This book is brilliantly plotted
- ____ is a non-stop reading

Useful language: Recommendations

- Don't miss it
- It is well worth reading
- It will change the way you see...
- I wouldn't recommend it because
- I highly/thoroughly recommend it
- It is a highly entertaining read
- It is a bore to read
- It is certainly at the top of my list
- It's a must
- Don't bother with this one