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## Writing

### Spotlight 9 Module 5e

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Emails reviewing books, films

## Read the new words and phrases.

**all in all** (phr) в общем и целом

**author** (n) автор

**background** (n) подоплека

**character** (n) герой (книги, фильма)

**comment** (n) комментарий, мнение

**consist of** (phr v) состоять из

**director** (n) режиссер

**disappointing** (adj) разочаровывающий

**dull** (adj) скучный

**evil** (adj) злой, злобный

**evil** (n) зло

**evil genius** (phr) злой гений

**exciting** (adj) захватывающий

**fairy** (n) фея

**fantasy** (n) фэнтези, фантазия

**fast-paced** (adj) быстро развивающийся

**irritating** (adj) раздражающий

**kidnap** (v) похищать

**Likeable** (adj) приятный, милый

**main** (adj) главный

**precise** (adj) точный

**recommendation** (n) совет, рекомендация

**rescue** (v) спасти

**review** (v/n) 1. писать отзыв; 2. отзыв

**satisfying** (adj) удовлетворительный

**senior officer** (phr) старший офицер

**shallow** (adj) поверхностный

**slow-paced** (adj) медленно развивающийся

**summary** (n) краткое изложение, резюме

**surprising** (adj) неожиданный, удивительный

**theme** (n) зд. основная идея, мысль

**unexpected** (adj) неожиданный

**unimaginative** (adj) лишенный воображения

**upside down** (adv) вверх ногами

**variety** (n) разнообразие

**versus** (prep) против

**well-developed** (adj) хорошо сформировавшийся

## Read the theory box. Emails reviewing books, films.

Reviews are short descriptions of books, films, plays, TV programmes, etc.

They are usually written on websites/in magazines/newspapers, etc.

or as part of a letter to inform readers and to give them your opinion/  
recommendation about whether or not they should read the book, see the play, etc.

Present tenses are usually used and a variety of adjectives to make your comments clearer and more precise. A review usually consists of:

- **an introduction** giving background information about the book/film, etc., e.g. the title, type (*adventure, horror, comedy, thriller, etc.*), the name of author/director.
- **a main body** consisting of two paragraphs (one giving a summary of the plot, the other general comments on the plot, main characters, etc.).
- **a conclusion** recommending or not recommending the book/film, etc., giving reasons to support your recommendation.



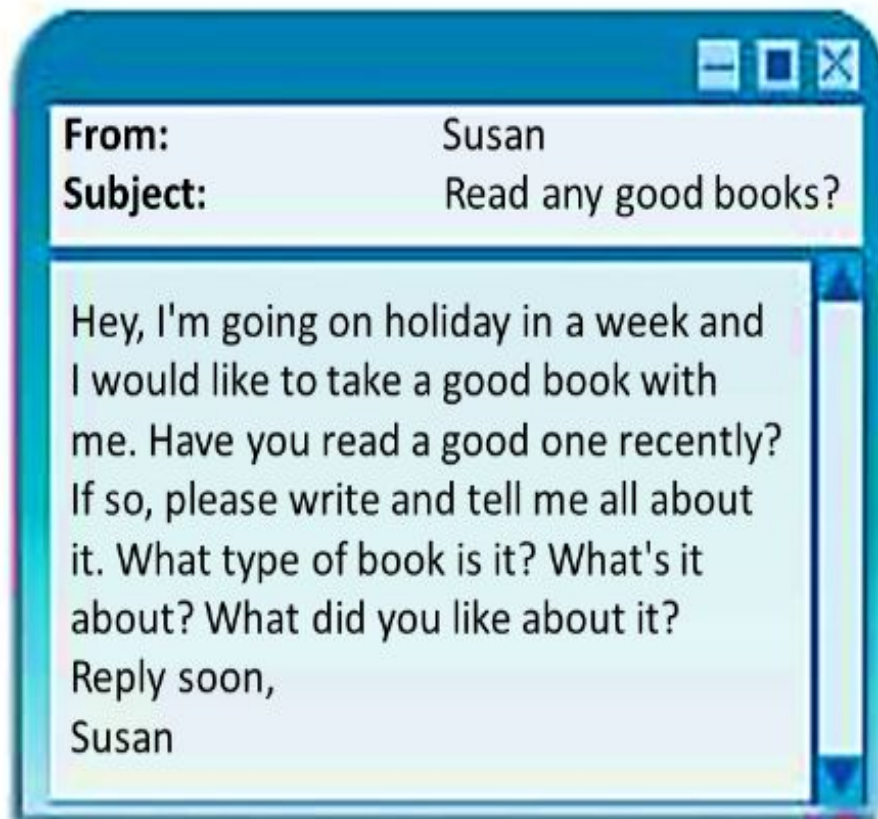
Look at the list of adjectives below. Which are positive/negative/neutral in meaning?

intriguing, mysterious, clever, interesting, well-written, well- developed, fast-paced, slow- paced, predictable, funny, unimaginative, exciting	<b>PLOT</b>
mysterious, clever, interesting, likeable, irritating, dull, evil, unusual, shallow, well- developed	<b>CHARACTERS</b>
slow-paced, dull, unusual, predictable, unexpected, disappointing, exciting, surprising, satisfying	<b>BEGINNING/ENDING</b>



Read the rubric and answer the questions.

*You have just received the following email from a friend:*



- 1) What is the purpose of the email?
- 2) What do you have to write?
- 3) What kind of information should you include?
- 4) What style will you write in? Why?

*Write your reply to Susan's email (120-180 words).*

Read the email and match the paragraphs (1-4) to the descriptions (A-D).

From: Julie Banks

Subject: RE: Read any good books?

Hi Susan!

1) \_\_\_ I bet you can't wait to go on holiday! Don't worry about which book to take because I've just read a brilliant fantasy thriller set in Ireland. It's called Artemis Fowl and it's by my favourite author, Eoin Colfer.

2) \_\_\_ Let me tell you a bit about the book. Basically, it's a fairy tale for our times. It's about a fairy police officer called Captain Holly Short who is kidnapped by the twelve-year-old evil genius, Artemis Fowl. He wants the fairies to pay a lot of gold to get her back. Unfortunately for Artemis, Holly Short is a member of the fairy secret police and her senior officer will do anything to rescue her.

3) \_\_\_ So, as you can imagine, the plot is very exciting and fast-paced and it is very funny, too. The characters are also well developed. There is a lot of action and interesting high-tech gadgets. The theme of good versus evil is strong throughout.

4) \_\_\_ Well, that's about it. All in all, Artemis Fowl is an excellent book that I think is very well written. I couldn't put it down from the very first page! I would definitely recommend that you read it. Have a great holiday!

Julie

A general comments on the book

B reason for writing/background information

C summary of plot

D opinion/recommendation with reasons



- Задание № 3, 4 (выучить алгоритм написания отзыва).
- Прочитать, перевести инструкцию, отзыв на книгу.     р.82, ex.2,3
- р.83, ex.5(выучить)