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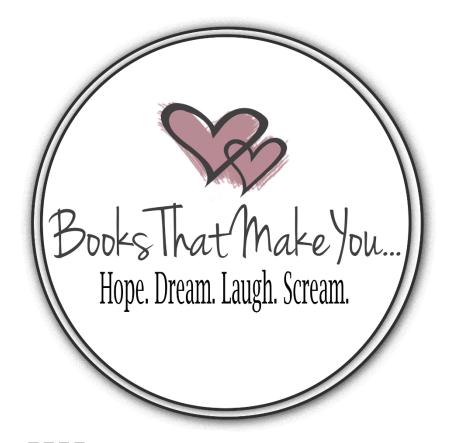


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WHERE DO YOU POST BOOK REVIEWS?

Websites including NetGalley, Good reads, Amazon and other retail sites are great places to start.

Start your own blog, or feature on your social media.

WHAT ARE SOME DIFFERENT TYPES OF BOOK REVIEWS?

Editorial book reviews.

Blurbs or back cover of the book reviews.

Verified reviews on Amazon (and other retailers).

WHY ARE BOOK REVIEWS IMPORTANT?

Authors appreciate reviews more than you imagine. They work hard, let 'em know you like their writing.

Reviews help to promote the book to others.

You are at the vanguard of setting tastes and influencing the stories in our world. Writing book reviews comes with great responsibility...

WHAT ARE SOME TIPS FOR WRITING BOOK REVIEWS?

Try to be kind. There is a big difference between being a reviewer and a critic.

Don't give away too much (spoilers ahead) but do give some poignant insights fellow readers will appreciate.

HOW TO BECOME A BOOK REVIEWER?

Request to review books on NetGalley.

Just start: GoodReads, Amazon, B&N, and others.

Reach out to publishers and promoters.

Black Chateau – request to be added to the Book Reviewer Email List: PR@BlackChateauEnterprises.com

WHEN SHOULD BOOK REVIEWS BE POSTED?

Don't wait, post before the book releases to really help the author.

Post on Amazon as soon as the book launches.

Yikes, did your TBR list get backed up? Though advanced reviews are nice, remember it is never too late to post a review...

ARE BOOK REVIEWERS INFLUCENERS?

Some book reviewers have enough followers to become "influencers".

Focus on one or two platforms to maximize your reach. Popular ones include TikTok, Instagram, Goodreads, YouTube and other social media.

BENEFITS TO BECOMING A BOOK REVIEWER?

You'll get advanced reading copies (ARCs) often ahead of release on sites like NetGalley.

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