



# Readers' Favorite<sup>®</sup>

## Book Reviews and Award Contest

### Book Review Mini-Critique

Below you will find ratings (scale of 1-5) with descriptions for the major parts of your book followed by your Readers' Favorite review. Although these are general ratings we hope they will give you an insight into how others may view the different components of your book.

These are the opinions of your reviewer, and although your reviewer is not an expert literary critic or professional editor, they are at the very least, an avid reader of books just like yours.

**Title:** Corona Daze  
**Subtitle:** Eva's time at home during Covid-19  
**Author:** Jennifer Angel  
**Genre:** Children - Picture Book



**Appearance:** The appearance of a book can make a significant impact on the experience of a reader, whose enjoyment is often enhanced by an enticing cover, an intriguing table of contents, interesting chapter headings, and when possible, eye-catching illustrations.

**5**

**Plot:** The characters of a book should be well defined with strengths and flaws, and while they do not have to be likable, the reader does have to be able to form a connection with them. The tone should be consistent, the theme should be clear, and the plot should be original or told from a unique perspective. For informative books -- those without plot and characters--this rating refers primarily to your concept and how well you presented it.

**5**

**Development:** Development refers to how effectively you told your story or discussed your topic. The dialogue should be realistic, the descriptions should be vivid, and the material should be concise and coherent. Organization is also a key factor, especially for informative books -- those without plot and characters. The order in which you tell your story or explain your topic and how smoothly it flows can have a huge impact on the reader's understanding and enjoyment of the material.

**5**

**Formatting:** Formatting is the single most overlooked area by authors. The way in which you describe scenes, display dialogue, and shift point of view can make or break your story. In addition, excessive grammatical errors and typos can give your book an amateurish feel and even put off readers completely.

**4**

**Marketability:** Marketability refers to how effectively you wrote your book for your target audience. Authors may include content that is above or below the understanding of their target reader, or include concepts, opinions or language that can accidentally confuse or alienate some readers. Although by its nature this rating is very subjective, a very low rating here and poor reviews may indicate an issue with your book in this area.

**5**

**Overall Opinion:** The overall starred rating takes into account all these elements and describes the overall reading experience of your reviewer. This is the official Readers' Favorite review rating for your book.

**5**

**Review:** Reviewed by Tiffany Ferrell for Readers' Favorite

In Corona Daze: Eva's Time at home during Covid-19, we are introduced to a little girl named Eva who wakes up one day to find out she has to stay at home. One day turns into weeks and weeks. Eva can't do things she normally did like go to school, play with friends at the park and go shopping at stores. She learns about a virus that is spreading around, making people sick. Some people get better but there are lots that don't and it scares Eva. She is taught that washing hands and wearing a mask is very important. Still, she tries to do her best with the situation that she is in. She plays with her little brother and does activities to keep her busy as well as healthy.

I think Jennifer Angel did a great job of tackling such a very serious current issue in a format that children will understand. With this Covid-19 pandemic, there is so much confusion that I feel a lot of the facts aren't told or talked about with kids properly. In Corona Daze the young reader can very much relate to Eva and the struggle she is going through with not being able to do things they are used to such as going to school, playing at the park, and even visiting relatives. Along with that, it also teaches children that washing their hands and wearing a mask are important to prevent the spread. It's explained in a very simple and easy to follow manner. Corona Daze is definitely a book I would recommend to my friends with kids as a good way of explaining the current issue our world faces.