



# Readers' Favorite® Book Reviews and Award Contest

## Book Review Mini-Critique



Below you will find ratings (scale of 1-5) with general descriptions for the major parts of your book followed by your Readers' Favorite review. Although this is just a Mini-Critique, we hope it will give you an insight into how readers may view the different components of your book.

These are the opinions of your reviewer, and although they are not a literary professional, they are an avid reader of books just like yours.

**Title:** Adventures of Karter  
**Subtitle:** I'm A Big Brother Now!  
**Author:** Rhovonda L. Brown  
**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.

**5**

**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 Lindsay DeRollo for Readers' Favorite

Adventures of Karter: I'm a Big Brother Now! by Rhovonda L. Brown is a delightful story for children about a young boy named Karter who is very excited when he finds out he's going to be a big brother. He soon learns the importance of taking good care of his baby brother and being patient and responsible. They develop a special bond, and now Karter has a new role to fill: always looking after him and being a good example. What a blessing! Children will witness the love and importance of family, faith, and gratitude for the gift of a healthy new family member. This book captures beautiful family memories for loved ones to treasure forever.

This heartwarming book by Rhovonda L. Brown was an absolute joy to read. Adventures of Karter: I'm a Big Brother Now! will teach children in a playful, simple, and relatable way the joys and responsibilities of becoming a big brother or sister. They will understand the emotions involved, such as excitement, appreciation, and perhaps some stress or jealousy, which is perfectly normal. The vivid and animated illustrations beautifully capture Karter's fun-loving personality. The rhythmic text and exclamations will draw children in and keep their attention. Karter also makes learning new names and letters fun by turning it into a fun guessing game. The humor woven into the story is a big plus that kids will surely enjoy and relate to, particularly the ending! I highly recommend this book to all young children to read and enjoy.