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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: Phone Life
Subtitle: A Career Tale from Lifestyle Learning® Publishing
Author: Paris Gamble
Genre: Young Adult - General



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.

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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.

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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.

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Formatting: 5	Formatting is the single most overlooked area by independent 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.
Marketability: 5	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.
Overall Opinion: 5	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.
Review:	<p>Reviewed by Rabia Tanveer for Readers' Favorite</p> <p>In Phone Life by Paris Gamble, we get to know about the journey of a simple boy from middle school to a successful software engineer. David is not unlike every other middle school student. He has no idea what he is going to do and what he is going to become. But he does know that he loves to fiddle with phones and just about every other handheld device. With his interest invested in computers and their mechanics, he has no time for school and studies in his life. That is why he is tutored by Carlie. His interest and endless support from Carlie, his girlfriend, and his best friend, Lee, means he later becomes a successful software engineer.</p> <p>Phone Life is a nice inspirational novel that allows you to broaden your mind and open your perspectives to new fields. I love to use new software, but I find software engineering extremely boring. After this novel, I have come to appreciate software engineers more. David's determination and his utter devotion to his field of interest is inspiring and very encouraging. Paris Gamble showed David's frustration with the world perfectly and in a very real manner. His fixation with computers and phones was understandable, and that is the biggest goal to achieve. Every situation was eloquently written, the dialogues were revealing, and the characters well developed. It is indeed a great novel, especially for people who need inspiration for their future. I thoroughly enjoyed it.</p>