

# King of the Cloud Forests

## A Review

The book has ended and the story comes to a close.

How do you feel about the following:

The plot (the story itself)?

The characters

The setting

The ending

The themes

Have a think about all of these headings before you attempt the task.

It would be helpful to get your ideas on paper - perhaps a mind map to organise your thoughts.

The answers to these questions could form the basis of your book review.

Start to plan today for a final published review tomorrow.

Look on the next pages for a guide.

We will expect the book review to be handed in as a published piece for **Thursday 11th February**



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**The characters**

- The lama
- Ashley
- Uncle Sung
- Lin
- Shoo
- Tot
- Little Red

**The plot**

- Life in the Mission
- Home
- Life with the Yetis
- The war
- Journey to India

**The setting**

- The mission
- England
- The mountains

**The themes**

- Loss
- Guilt
- Faith
- Acceptance

## What makes a good book review?

1. Start with a couple of sentences describing what the book is about (but without giving any spoilers or revealing plot twists. As a general rule, try to avoid writing in detail about anything that happens from about the middle of the book onwards.

2. Discuss what you particularly liked about the book

Focus on your thoughts and feelings about the story and the way it was told. You could try answering a couple of the following questions

Who was your favourite character, and why?

Did the characters feel real to you?

Did the story keep you guessing?

What was your favourite part of the book, and why?

Were certain types of scene written particularly well

for example sad scenes, tense scenes, mysterious ones...?

Did the book make you laugh or cry?

Did the story grip you and keep you turning the pages

3. Mention anything you disliked about the book

Talk about why you think it didn't work for you. For example

Did you wish the ending hadn't been a

cliff hanger because you found it frustrating?

Did you find it difficult to care about a main character, and could you work out why?

Was the story too scary for your liking, or did it focus on a theme you didn't find interesting

4. Round up your review

Summarise some of your thoughts on the book by suggesting the type of reader you'd recommend the book to. For example: younger readers, older readers, fans of relationship drama/mystery stories/comedy. Are there any books or series you would compare it to?

5. You can give the book a rating, for example a mark out of five or ten, if you like!