**Reading Review**

**Focus: Genre**

**This review must be written in essay format and include the key areas below. You can add in any extra details you want to as well.**

Background information

* Name the novel and author(s)
* Identify what genre the book is (adventure, crime, romance, mystery etc.)
* Sum up what makes it an effective example of this genre

Plot

* Give an outline of the plot – try to summarise in around 60 words.
* Pick at least 2-3 key events and explain fully how these fit this genre and how they are effective scenes
* Explain clearly how the ending is typical of this genre and explain how effective you found it.
* Explain fully how these events help create an exciting/intriguing novel of this genre

Characters

* Focus on 1-2 main characters and sum up what their role(s) is/are in the novel (hero, villain etc.) and how this is made clear by the writer
* Explain their personality/behaviour/actions and how these fit in with your genre of novel
* Use at least one quotation to back up your points which you must analyse fully.
* Explain your views on the character and their behaviour or the decisions they make (e.g. how does this make the novel more enjoyable/interesting for you?)

Setting

* Explain where and when the novel is set
* Explain how this setting helps to build the mood/atmosphere and how it is effective in this type of genre

Personal Opinion

* Explain fully why this is an interesting example of this type of genre giving specific details from the novel.