



## Teenage Life

Review planning bank: teen advice podcast

### Exam-style review task

Your class recently listened to a podcast for teenagers. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the podcast for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the podcast:

'The friendship advice felt realistic.'

'The speakers sounded natural.'

'The episode was too long.'

'Some tips were repeated.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> relatable question / clear opinion / warm wording
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the podcast is; who it is for; what episode you heard; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Does this podcast really understand teenage life?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Main content:</b> friendship advice, speakers, tips, <b>Tone:</b> natural, supportive,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> friendship advice felt realistic <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> speakers sounded natural <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> episode was too long <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>   <b>Another issue:</b> some tips were repeated <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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Review planning bank: study-life balance workshop

### Exam-style review task

A visiting speaker recently ran a workshop about balancing schoolwork and free time. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the workshop for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the workshop:

'The timetable ideas were useful.'

'The slides had too much text.'

'The speaker understood our problems.'

'There was not enough time for questions.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> balanced contrast / direct question / practical judgement
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the workshop was; who led it; where it happened; why it matters to students <b>Hook:</b> Can one workshop make school life feel more manageable?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Activities:</b> timetable ideas, discussion, question time, <b>Teaching style:</b> understanding, practical,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> timetable ideas were useful <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> speaker understood our problems <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> slides had too much text <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> not enough time for questions <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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## Teenage Life

Review planning bank: youth drama series

### Exam-style review task

A new drama series about teenage life has become popular with students. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the series for your school magazine.

Here are some comments about the drama series:

'The characters seem believable.'

'The family scenes are emotional.'

'Some episodes are too predictable.'

'The ending felt rushed.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> emotional question / contrast / strong adjective
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the series is; who watches it; what it is about; why it is worth reviewing <b>Hook:</b> Does the series show teenage life honestly?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Main features:</b> characters, family scenes, ending, <b>Tone:</b> emotional, realistic,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> characters seem believable <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> family scenes are emotional <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> some episodes are too predictable <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> ending felt rushed <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Overall opinion:</b> <b>Who would enjoy it most:</b> <b>Final recommendation phrase:</b>
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## Teenage Life

Review planning bank: student wellbeing app

### Exam-style review task

Your school has suggested a wellbeing app for teenagers. Your teacher has asked you to write a review of the app for your school magazine. Here are some comments about the wellbeing app:

'The mood tracker is easy to use.'

'The breathing exercises are calming.'

'The reminders can be annoying.'

'Some advice feels too basic.'

The comments above may give you some ideas, and you should also use some ideas of your own.

**Write about 120 to 160 words.**

### Planning

Use the comments to organise your review. Add details, examples and one idea of your own.

<b>Concise, engaging title</b>	<b>Possible techniques:</b> gentle question / clear judgement / reassuring wording
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Context:</b> what the app is; who it is for; when you tried it; why students might use it <b>Hook:</b> Could this app help students feel calmer?
<b>Description</b>	<b>Key features:</b> mood tracker, reminders, breathing exercises, <b>User experience:</b> calming, simple,

Positives	Negatives / Areas for improvement
<b>Idea:</b> mood tracker is easy to use <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Extra idea:</b> breathing exercises are calming <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Idea of your own:</b> <b>Detail / example:</b>	<b>Issue:</b> reminders can be annoying <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>  <b>Another issue:</b> some advice feels too basic <b>Detail / example:</b>  <b>Suggestion:</b>

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