Outline for Book Review Writing

Instructions:
1. Follow the outline below to write your Book Review of “A Little Princess”.
2. You may want to answer some of these questions while you are reading your book.
3. Take notes and once you have finished the book, turn your notes into a detailed book review.
4. Remember to follow the outline BUT do not use headings for your paragraphs, and do not write the questions out.
5. Remember that you will use this outline again in Topic 4.

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• PARAGRAPH 1:  INTRODUCTION
  General Information about the Book
  →  Title, author and type of book (fantasy, humour, science fiction, mystery, biography, non-fiction)

• PARAGRAPH 2:  BODY
  Setting
  →  Describe the time and place of the story.
  →  Comments about the setting (examples: setting makes story exciting, setting has an important effect on main character, setting is/is not exciting or new, setting increased my knowledge of something)

• PARAGRAPH 3:
  Characters
  →  Who is the protagonist in the story? Describe.
  →  Who is the antagonist in the story? Describe.
  →  The main character does the right thing when...
  →  The character I can identify with is because...

• PARAGRAPH 4:
  Plot: Summary of What Happened in the Story
  →  Write at least up to 5 main events that happened in the story; keep them in order: Exposition, Conflict/Rising Action, Climax, Falling Action/Denouement, and Resolution/Ending).

• PARAGRAPH 5:
  Theme
  →  What is the author trying to say in this story? Is there a moral to this story?
  →  What did you learn from this story?

• PARAGRAPH 6:  CONCLUSION
  Recommendation of the Book
  →  What did you think of the book?
  →  What did you like about the book? / What didn’t you like about the book?
  →  Would you/would you not recommend this book to others? Why?