

Sample of Some of the Questions in the Form

Opening Scene:

- Does the story begin with an interesting hook, creating a desire to read more?

Characterization & Motivation:

- Are their goals clear and proactive enough to influence the plot (not passive)?

Plot & Conflict:

- Are there enough stakes and/or tension throughout to make it a “page turner”?

Pacing:

- Does the story move along at an appropriate pace, without rushing or dragging?

Setting & Worldbuilding:

- Are descriptions vivid and give a clear sense of time and place?

Dialogue:

- Is the dialogue natural and appropriate for the story, not stilted or overly narrative?

Craft:

- Is the point of view (and any changes) handled appropriately and consistently?

Overall Impression:

- From a reader's point of view, did you enjoy reading this story?

Additional Questions for Comment:

- Is the story a good fit for the stated genre, and if not, why not?