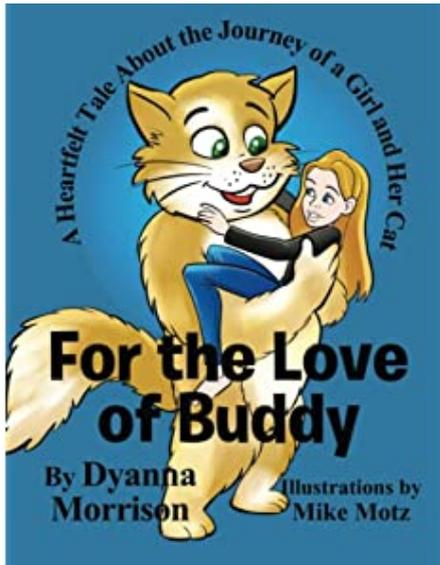




Readers' Favorite® Book Reviews and Award Contest

Book Review Mini-Critique



Below you will find ratings (scale of 1-5) with general descriptions for the major parts of your book followed by your Readers' Favorite review. Although this is just a Mini-Critique, we hope it will give you an insight into how readers may view the different components of your book.

These are the opinions of your reviewer, and although they are not a literary professional, they are an avid reader of books just like yours.

Title: For the Love of Buddy
Author: Dyanna Morrison
Genre: Children - Animals



Appearance: The appearance of a book can make a significant impact on the experience of a reader, whose enjoyment is often enhanced by an enticing cover, an intriguing table of contents, interesting chapter headings, and when possible, eye-catching illustrations.

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Plot: The characters of a book should be well defined with strengths and flaws, and while they do not have to be likable, the reader does have to be able to form a connection with them. The tone should be consistent, the theme should be clear, and the plot should be original or told from a unique perspective. For informative books -- those without plot and characters--this rating refers primarily to your concept and how well you presented it.

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Development: Development refers to how effectively you told your story or discussed your topic. The dialogue should be realistic, the descriptions should be vivid, and the material should be concise and coherent. Organization is also a key factor, especially for informative books -- those without plot and characters. The order in which you tell your story or explain your topic and how smoothly it flows can have a huge impact on the reader's understanding and enjoyment of the material.

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Formatting: Formatting is the single most overlooked area by authors. The way in which you describe scenes, display dialogue, and shift point of view can make or break your story. In addition, excessive grammatical errors and typos can give your book an amateurish feel and even put off readers completely.

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Marketability: Marketability refers to how effectively you wrote your book for your target audience. Authors may include content that is above or below the understanding of their target reader, or include concepts, opinions or language that can accidentally confuse or alienate some readers. Although by its nature this rating is very subjective, a very low rating here and poor reviews may indicate an issue with your book in this area.

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Overall Opinion: The overall starred rating takes into account all these elements and describes the overall reading experience of your reviewer. This is the official Readers' Favorite review rating for your book.

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Review:

Reviewed by Keith Mbuya for Readers' Favorite

Pet lovers know what it feels like to spend time with your favorite pet as it is an irreplaceable and incredibly fulfilling feeling. Buddy is a male kitten who became his owner's favorite pet right from the time of his birth. Buddy's owner took him everywhere she went and they had so much fun together. They even traveled across states. Buddy's owner always made sure that he was healthy and happy, until a time when something horrible and devastating happened to Buddy. What happened to him and how did his owner feel about it? Get yourself Dyanna Morrison's *For The Love of Buddy* to discover more.

For The Love of Buddy will appeal to children, especially pet lovers. Dyanna Morrison pours out her heart, explaining her life with Buddy. She depicts their relationship with an impressive depth of passion, highlighting her love for her cat. She narrates poetically, giving most of her sentences a wonderful rhyme, which made the reading experience appealing. She enhances her short sentences using a good vocabulary for kids. I loved the beautiful and colorful pictures as they added to my imagination. Some of the pictures will no doubt leave a smile on a kid's face as they are amusing. Morrison teaches children a lot of important lessons. Some of these include how to relate to pets, how to take care of them, and, most important of all, how to let go of what you love.