**Critique Checklist**

**HEADING… (15 points)**

* **Your name and class period**
* **Book title:**
* **Author:**
* **What type of book is it? Dystopian fiction, realistic fiction, historical fiction, mystery biography, autobiography, informational, etc.**

**FIRST PARAGRAPH… (30 points)**

* **What was your independent reading book about? This is your brief summary. Things you might want to write about in this summary section are:  
  - plot  
  - main character  
  - central conflict in the book  
  - setting  
  - theme – cite evidence to support your theme  
  Do not write anything that would give the ending away. NO SPOILERS!!!**

**SECOND PARAGRAPH… (30 points)**

* **Now time for you to critique! This is when you will assess, analyze and offer your judgments about the book and author. You must cite evidence throughout this entire paragraph. Here are some ideas:  
  - Tell about feelings you had when reading the book.  
  - Discuss your thoughts on various things that surprised you and  
   kept you interested.   
  - Tell how you feel the author did in developing plot and   
   character(s)  
  - Compare this text to a previous text you have read.  
  Remember this is your time to tell us what you think! This paragraph should make me what to go check this book out immediately. Cite some examples from the book to support your judgments and views of the book. Again, NO SPOILERS!!!**
* **Who would you recommend read this book? Middle school students, adults, ages 12 – 17, etc.**

**WRITING TECHNIQUE (25 points) – correct spelling, correct use of punctuation and capitalization, transition words are used consistently and effectively, grade appropriate vocabulary, written legibly.**