PEER REVIEW FOR CHILDREN'S BOOK REVIEW

Writer of the review _____

Peer reviewer's name ______

INSTRUCTIONS:

Read the review of the book which a classmate has asked you to look over. Check off the items below which apply.

Fill in the 2 strengths and 1 suggestion section below the checklist.

Return to the writer of the review.

NOTE: You are being evaluated on your ability to review/peer edit. Please take this assignment seriously so that this process is helpful to the writer.

Title is catchy and original.

There is a brief summary of the book (2-3 sentences)

The review includes at least 4 areas from the list below:

- Audience
- Theme
- Characters/characterization
- Plot
- Illustrations
- Conflict

The review includes examples from the book.

The review uses the language of literature.

The spelling is correct.

The title of the book (underlined) and the author is included in the review.

The punctuation is correct.

The review <u>evaluates</u> what is positive and/or negative about the book rather than analyzing and re-telling.

The review is organized in a logical manner with transitions between ideas.

Sample transitions include: Also, however, Another idea which...., in addition

The review uses the language of literature: ex. Using character not the guy.

The review is written in an engaging way which reflects the writer's voice.

The conclusion effectively summarizes the writer's opinion of the book.

The reviewer has gone above and beyond the basic criteria, including other ideas which add or detract from the book. For example: "This book uses a lot of rhyme which makes it fun for small children."

2 Strengths:

1 suggestion: