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Book Reviews and Award Contest

Book Review Mini-Critique

Below you will find ratings (scale of 1-5) with descriptions for the major parts of your book followed by your Readers' Favorite review. Although these are general ratings we hope they will give you an insight into how others may view the different components of your book.

These are the opinions of your reviewer, and although your reviewer is not an expert literary critic or professional editor, they are at the very least, an avid reader of books just like yours.

Title: Sex Factor International
Subtitle: Book 3
Author: Steve Earle
Genre: Fiction - Thriller - General



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:

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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.

Marketability:

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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.

Overall Opinion:

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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.

Review:

Reviewed by Lesley Jones for Readers' Favorite

In Sex Factor International Book 3 by Steve Earle, the new owner of the LA hotel, Sofia Hester, is determined to restore the damaged reputation of both the hotel and casino. Following Chico Sanchez's death, Sofia and her assistants believe the hotel and casino are now free from all criminal activity and have cooperated fully with the FBI's investigations. However, they soon discover information proving that not to be the case. Sofia suspects Sanchez's second in command, Gregoria, and a new hotel manager, Mel, guilty of money laundering and drug trafficking. Sofia must now find evidence that implicates both Gregoria and Mel before the FBI arrives at the hotel and believe she is complicit in their crimes. As Sofia and her associates begin to eliminate all those involved, they realize to their horror that Sanchez's criminal empire is stronger than ever before.

The final book in this series was not a disappointment. I absolutely loved to see the return of fantastic characters such as the fearless Sofia and her shrewd colleague Darren and also the introduction of new characters. Mel and Gregoria made fantastic villains, their behavior and dialogue were extremely realistic and totally believable. The suspense and tension were incredible as layers of corruption and illegal activity were revealed. I thought Sofia handled the entire situation with such intelligence and bravery as she faced her enemies head-on. The plot was compelling from start to finish with many intriguing layers and I thought the areas of conflict were perfectly placed. The twists and turns in the storyline were imaginative and very cleverly written. Steve Earle has included a very detailed backstory of the previous novels in the series but I would still recommend reading books 1 and 2 to gain the best reading experience of Sex Factor International Book 3.