

Author Eileen Laird used these beta reader questions when seeking feedback for her novel. Feel free to use this as a template to guide feedback for your own book.

This sample was included in her newsletter: [Book Dreams](#).

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Thank you so much for being one of the first readers of my novel and being willing to give your feedback. I want this book to be the best it can be, so don't be afraid of hurting my feelings. Your honesty is the best gift you can give me. As you read, here are the questions I'd like you to consider:

1. Did the first few pages of the book grab your attention and make you want to keep reading?
2. Was there a place (or places) in the book where your attention waned? If yes, where? And did your interest pick up again?
3. Was there information missing in the story that you wish was included? Some part of the story you'd like to see expanded?
4. How did you like the characters? Did they feel fully developed? Did they feel authentic?
5. Did the dialogue feel natural?
6. Were any parts of the book confusing?
7. Did any parts strike you as implausible?
8. Was the ending satisfying?
9. What was your favorite part of the book?
10. If you could change anything to make the story better, what would you change?
11. If you were writing a review, how many stars would you give it?
12. How would you describe this book to someone else?

Please send your feedback to me by (insert date).

You have my gratitude!