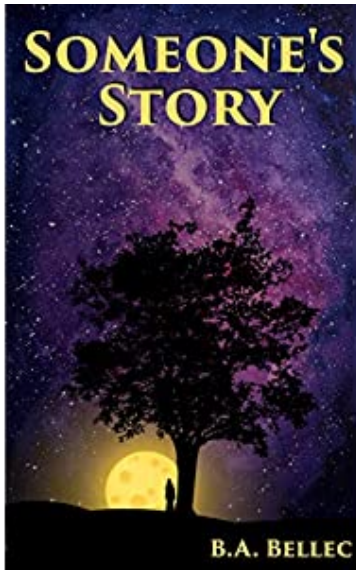




# Readers' Favorite® Book Reviews and Award Contest

## 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:** Someone's Story

**Author:** B.A. Bellec

**Genre:** Young Adult - Coming of Age



**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.

**5**

**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.

**5**

<b>Development:</b>	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.
<b>5</b>	
<b>Formatting:</b>	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.
<b>5</b>	
<b>Marketability:</b>	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.
<b>5</b>	
<b>Overall Opinion:</b>	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.
<b>5</b>	

**Review:**

Reviewed by K.C. Finn for Readers' Favorite

Someone's Story is a work of fiction in the coming of age and family drama sub-genres and was penned by author B. A. Bellec. Written for mature young adult audiences, the book does feature some more sensitive themes such as abortion, death, bullying, and substance usage. The story focuses on the mental health journey of one young man when he is forced to move and this creates a huge upheaval in his life. As he struggles to find a new footing in a new space, we encounter the many ups and downs of modern teenage life, the difficulties that adjusting to adult feelings bring, and a few tear-jerking surprises along the way.

Author B. A. Bellec has crafted a masterpiece of emotive and well-rounded young adult fiction, one which holds a mirror up to real life and does not over or underplay life's many dramas for a moment. As an accurate portrayal of mental health issues and insecurities, readers are sure to take comfort in the close, raw narration which explains how the protagonist feels and deals with uncomfortable situations throughout the tale. Though there's plenty of serious stuff to unpack, the work is also balanced with funny, touching moments and solid life advice. The accompanying soundtrack really gives a new technological dimension to the reading experience as well, making the book a really immersive experience that is truly unmissable. Overall, I would highly recommend Someone's Story to teen and adult readers alike: an accomplished and fully rounded reading experience.