

# The Adventures in Borkdom Book Review Rubric

## A Discovery of Witches by Deborah Harkness

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<b>Plot-</b> How good was the plot and structure?	Incredibly well-developed plot! Everything was perfect!	Very good plot—clean and well-developed.	Good plot. Everything was pretty relevant with only a few weak points.	Not great. Some parts were under-developed and was somewhat lackluster.	Weak plot. Loose ends everywhere and hard to read.	Snooze fest! I don't know how I finished!
<b>Characterization-</b> How well-formed were the characters?	I love the characters! I know them, and I will miss them! They were REAL.	Very good characters. They were well-developed and true.	The main characters were strong, but I didn't really care too much about them.	The characterization is suffering from weak dialogue or false action.	Poor use of characterization. Contrived, unrealistic, and false.	I couldn't have possibly finished reading with characterization this poor.
<b>Themes-</b> Did this book force you to think about the world and your place in it?	I can't stop thinking about this book and the questions it asks!	This book really made me think and consider the world around me!	This book had a few good solid themes that I ruminated on.	Weak, thematically. It required little thought.	No thinking required really. Rather fluffy.	A zombie could read this book!
<b>Style-</b> Was this a well-written book?	Beautiful writing! This book is going on my classics shelf!	Good writing. It was clear and fluid and fitting for the genre and/or topic.	Decent writing, but is marred by inconsistencies or mistakes.	Poorly written—needs an editor to clean it up.	Completely lacking in style and hard to read!	My students write better than this!
<b>Originality-</b> Has this been done before?	Wow! What was that?! I've got to spread the word!	Very original take on familiar themes and ideas.	Pretty original but contains a few cliches.	Not very original but is passing and readable.	Lacks any originality and felt like a big déjà vu moment.	Total rip off! Someone call the plagiarism police!
<b>Addictiveness-</b> How easy was it to put down?	Couldn't go to sleep, I was so addicted!	Very addicting and hard to put down.	I enjoyed the book when I was reading it.	Fun to read, but I could just as easily been doing something else.	I sometimes forgot what book I was reading.	I didn't want to read it. In fact, I dreaded it!
<b>Re-Readability-</b> Would you read it again?	I want to read it again tomorrow!	I will definitely re-read it in the next 5-10 years.	I'll hold onto this book just in case.	Probably won't read it again, but it was good. I'll give it away.	I'm giving it away, glad for the space on my shelf.	Re-read it?! I couldn't read it the first time!
<b>Threshold Quality-</b> Did this book hook you into a genre, author, or series?	Give me more! More of the genre, more of the author, more of the series. If it isn't a series, please make it one!	I am very interested in more of this genre, author, and/or series, thanks to this book.	I am slightly curious in reading more of this genre/author/series.	This book didn't really inspire me to read more of this genre/author/series.	This book makes me less interested in this genre/author/series.	For shame! I don't want to read this genre/author/series ever again!
<b>Other--Setting</b>	The setting came alive as I read, making me feel as if I were there!					
<b>Other--Wordiness</b>				This book had too many details that weren't relevant.		

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Grade: 66%