

A Shock of Corn Reviews

Fiverr is a website where people offer a range of services, including beta-reading. The responses to A Shock of Corn from six Fiverr reviewers are below.

It is a very well-written book.

Fiverr reviewer 1.

I really enjoyed it. It wasn't just a great story, it had some nice messages in it as well; I even learnt about some history. And what to do as a last resort in a fire – and there were a few shocks that I just did not see coming!

Fiverr reviewer 2.

I loved your story! The way you tied everything together was amazing!

Fiverr reviewer 3.

I loved your story – it was full of humour and it was a really easy read.

Fiverr reviewer 4.

Samuel's personality is a fun balance between elevated spirituality and common humanity. His dialogue is rich and insightful. He serves both as an anchor that grounds your story as well as wings that give it flight.

Fiverr reviewer 5.

This book was masterful! It built and built until all the pieces fell into line like dominoes. At first you don't understand how all the characters and events fit together, but by the end it's like a symphony of bass drums – boom, boom, boom-boom-boom!

Fiverr reviewer 6.

More from Fiverr reviewer 6:

Your vocabulary is extensive, your wording succinct. The language you used often made me light up. I love reading books that educate me, and yours did. I had to look up vocabulary, consider philosophy; become more familiar with a different culture... It was a rich experience that goes beyond reading a novel by my peers.

The descriptions were so fleshy, but not forced. Although at first events seemed random, I didn't have to slog through them. They were brought in with energy. Each character was developed and familiar: they could have been real people. The first character I smiled at was Julian. I felt like he was kindred. Esme and Miriam were also easy to relate to.

I loved your descriptions of Esme's wardrobe. It made her so realistic and admirable.

I'm a mother. My daughter is only eight, but I felt so much of what Miriam went through: worrying about Roddy, struggling with where the proper boundaries lie. I understood her. As a whole, your female characters were well-represented. You seem to see women and

have respect for them, which I appreciate. I felt the same amount of respect was shown for your female characters as your male ones (which, unfortunately, isn't always the case— even from female authors!).

It's really odd, but I think Julian is my favourite male character. He isn't totally together. He's working through things. He's messed up and he realizes that he's messed up! I just find him really likeable. I was so glad that he redeemed himself in the end. That was one of my favorite moments.

I fully appreciated how you foreshadowed Roddy's C/B slip-up in class. It was so well done. There's nothing like sharing an inside joke with the writer of a book you love.

I get this powerful rush whenever Roddy is seen from another character's point of view. He grabs their attention in a way that's enviable.

When Miriam admitted that she'd forgotten the parable of the prodigal son, I teared up. I remember it well, but it's a reminder that I'm not as close to my faith as I once was. This is sure to resonate with many people.

My absolute favourite part was when Julian was writing his three emails. You mirrored Roddy's flub so well that I was grinning. I loved it. It was sensational.

Fiverr reviewer 1: Carbor

Fiverr reviewer 2: Emma, Edit-for-u

Fiverr reviewer 3: Holly

Fiverr reviewer 4: Joanie

Fiverr reviewer 5: Kit

Fiverr reviewer 6: Leah