



Reviews can be painful

Getting poor feedback on something you've written can feel devastating but if you can give yourself some distance, you might find something that can help your craft improve.

I recently received some feedback on a short story I'd written and it was painful to feel criticized over something I'd poured my heart and soul into.

So I ranted for a couple of days to some trusted friends until I calmed down. Then I read the feedback again. In reality, many of the comments were insightful and gave me things to use in my next story. It also reminded me to be respectful to my clients when I edited their work.

What you shouldn't do is complain about the reviewer on social media, call them stupid, and invite your followers/friends to do the same. I've seen this happen and it's not a good look.

I wrote a post a while ago about how to handle readers' reviews. I've added a link at the bottom of this email.

If you've written something and would like some feedback, one of my services is a manuscript evaluation. We can chat if you'd like to find out more.

Have a great week,

Kerry

[readers' reviews post](#)



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