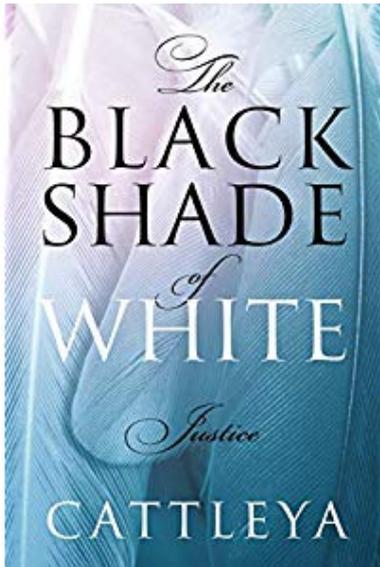




## Book Review Mini-Critique



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:** The Black Shade of White  
**Subtitle:** Justice  
**Author:** Cattleya  
**Genre:** Fiction - Fantasy - General



**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.

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**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.

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- Development:** 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.
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- Formatting:** 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.
- 5**
- Marketability:** 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.
- 5**
- Overall Opinion:** 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.
- 5**

**Review:**

Reviewed by K.C. Finn for Readers' Favorite

The Black Shade Of White: Justice is a work of multi-time-period and multi-location fantasy fiction penned by author Cattleya. In this opening novel to The Black Shade Of White trilogy, the concept of all-powerful love in the fight of good versus evil is explored across a wide range of real modern-day places and ethereal locations such as the Kingdom of Heaven. Angels and demons abound as they travel the world in search of wrongs to right, or indeed wrongs to create as it suits them. This visceral and highly visual novel is suitable for mature readers due to some graphic violent and sexual depictions.

One of the things I really liked about this opening novel was the attention to detail that author Cattleya puts into her scenes and characters, even from the incredible and painful events of the opening prologue. This sets the tone for a novel filled with suffering, often for the sake of love, but also of power and perseverance through adversity. There are many characters along the way and each has its own development, but this is very much an arc-driven tale that is going to take further books in the trilogy before it fully unravels. As a setup, it introduces us to incredible worlds with cinematic vistas, and the grim nature of humanity and the deeds it has allowed to be done to itself, God and the planet as a whole. Overall, The Black Shade Of White: Justice opens the door to a very exciting new world, one which holds much promise.