

QUESTIONS FOR BETA READERS

- 1 Overall, did you enjoy the book?
 - a. Yes, it was great.
 - b. Yes, it was OK.
 - c. It was OK, but I've read better.
 - d. There's room for improvement.
- 2 What was the main reason for your answer to Q1?
- 3 What did you like about the book, that you wouldn't want to see changed?
- 4 What did you dislike about the book that might put other readers off trying it?
- 5 Did you find the characters believable? If not, why not?
- 6 Was the plot easy to follow? If not, why not?
- 7 Was the pace right or was it too fast, or too slow.
- 8 What specific recommendations for changes would you make (please refer to chapter and paragraphs if possible). Don't hold back – your opinion is important to me.
- 9 Did you spot any factual errors, if so, what were they?
- 10 Did you spot any spelling or grammatical errors, or typos? (please provide as much detail as possible to help me find them)
- 11 Was the ending pleasing for you, or were you disappointed?*
- 12 If you had bought this book from a bookshop, would you
 - a. Ask for your money back, or
 - b. Rush back to the shop to see if the author had written anything else?
- 13 Is there anything you would like to add that hasn't been covered above?

* For a “who dunnit” you might ask at what point they spotted the murderer, so you can assess whether you made it enough of a mystery, or made it too difficult to spot them.