



Goodreads

Have your readings organized and be part of the community

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Review

Goodreads is the application that every lover of reading should have on their mobile phone. This statement is confirmed by its millions of users and supported by all the opinions that are poured from it. If you still don't know it, keep reading and learn how to use it and get the most out of it.

Its appearance took place in 2006 and was originally a private book cataloging project. Its website made it possible to select those who wanted to read or add those who had already been read, gradually growing its database and achieving that the number of people who helped to continue making it grow and increasing its number of consumers, reaching the more than 20 million that it currently has. It is an app that you can **download for free** in the Google Play Store and in the App Store, available in several languages, although its web version is only in English.

Readers from around the world have always been a very active community, but despite being so large they had never found a place to share all their knowledge on the subject with others. They are people who over the course of a single year collect a large volume of titles, such as those who are signing up to read in the future, those who are reading at the moment and especially those who have already read in their entire life, always Adding more and more to a list that can become endless. And this is where the problems arise, because it is very difficult to get a categorization of all this without forgetting one, and that is why Goodreads helps you achieve it.

Its **main advantage**, and the reason why it has more users every day, is its ability to organize books as each one wants. In its configuration you find by default three lists in which it divides them into: read, to read or reading, but nevertheless you can change it and create lists of everything you can think of and that better adapt to how you want to organize it, such as by genres, types, author, etc. In this way you will have full control of everything you have finished, differentiating it for years.

But it is not only an organizer, it is also a social network in which you can add your friends or strangers who share the same passion as you with reading. Like any other social network, it allows you to share all your activity with them and interact with everything they publish. With this application you can also see all those titles that you have pending and thus get ideas for the future or even read it at the same time.

And since the good community that is **Goodreads**, reviews are one of its fundamental parts, in them you will find the opinions of other people who have already read that book that interests you and they help you to see if it really is good or does not deserve you. pain. Titles can be rated with up to 5 stars and a small note added, becoming a tool for the writers themselves, who will be able to know the reception that their work has in the literary public.

In this app you will also find raffles, although most are for those who live in the United States, among which you would get exclusive copies that are about to be released. This is a way to promote writers and make their works known, especially for those who are not best sellers. You will be able to participate in contests in which you will have to answer questions about certain books in particular or even about your own readings, a way to entertain the reader, which also has its own personal challenge, in which you will have to indicate how many readings you intend to do in a given period of time. There are also events created by the writers, users or publishers themselves, they are very limited by countries but you can always write directly to the creator in the "Ask the author" section and thus interact with some who propose you from the platform. Most are international but if you are very aware you can find several of the local atmosphere.

If what you like is writing, on **Goodreads** you also have your place. From the web, users will share their own works with the rest of the community and thus know their opinion of it. Search for any book you want, its catalog is so wide that you will find the rarest titles you can imagine, and start enjoying the magic of reading.

✓ Pros

- The book catalog is huge
- You find rare titles.
- There are raffles and events.
- You have the opportunity to put your own texts.

✗ Cons

- Many contents are in English.
- Many events are for the United States.
- Bugs with the last update.
- Sometimes it is very difficult to find an exact book because of the number of answers it shows.

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