Peer review

Objective
The objective of a peer review is to be a critical friend
The clue to the role is in the words

Critical – here objective, analytical, looking with another pair of eyes

Friend – here constructive supportive, providing the feedback in a constructive and friendly manner

So...

As a peer reviewer you are trying to assist the person for whom you are providing a review

What you do
Make an arrangement to conduct a review. You can conduct this activity in pairs, or as a small college (three or four friends in a circle).

Read their work carefully
Reread the guidelines – and tell the person if you think they are answering the questions, objectively, providing sufficient evidence

The peer review is designed to help everyone improve your work and get a better mark

Advantages of a peer review
We often learn ourselves of changes we want to make to our own work as a result of seeing how someone else completed the task

I don’t want to have anyone look at my work
We understand that some people prefer to work individually, or do not want to discuss their work directly with another person.

If that is the case for you try to do the review yourself but understand it may not be as useful