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Book review guide

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- Introduction, including author's name, book title, and the main theme
- Summary of content
- Analysis and evaluation of the book
- Conclusion
- Reviewer's name, affiliation, and institutional email address appears at the lower right of the review

Reviewers are expected to compose thoughtful and engaging critiques that explain the basic arguments of a book, evaluate its strengths and weaknesses, and place the work within a broader scholarly field as they address readers outside their area of specialization. It should also include bibliographic information, if necessary.

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