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Guidelines for Book Reviews

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- Book reviews should provide a critical assessment of the book's aims, contents, and its place within current scholarship. Reviews should not be limited to a simple summary of the book's contents.

- Reviews should point out strengths and/or weaknesses of the book, without personal attacks on the author(s) or editor(s). If a conflict of interest arises, this should be notified straightaway to the Book Reviews Editor.

- References can be included in the text of the book review where relevant, using the Harvard (author/date) system. A complete reference list should be provided at the end of the review. Endnotes can be used but keep these to a minimum.

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