Guidelines for Book Reviews for Contributors to Script & Print.

A book review is usually focused on one book or monograph. The aim of the review is to provide readers with an engaging, informative and critical discussion of the work—the review should not be a summary of the book’s contents. For multi-author works or edited collections the author should present the most notable contributions or the major themes traversing the volume rather than briefly reviewing each chapter.

The author should consider:

- Reviews should not exceed the word length and should be returned by the agreed deadline usually within 3 months of receipt of the volume.
- Each book review should be approximately 1000-1500 words long. It can be shorter if the author wishes, or, if the book is of sufficient interest, a longer review may be called for. Long reviews should be agreed in advance with the editor.

The header of your review should include:

- Author(s) or editor(s) first and last name(s) (please indicate if it is an edited book).
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- For questions of style and grammar, please refer to the Chicago Manual of Style, 17th edition, in a 12-pt serif font, double-spaced using double quotation marks and placing punctuation inside the quotation marks.
- Please check the spelling of all proper nouns carefully, including the names of authors cited, referring to an authoritative source.
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