

Book Reviewer's Guide

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- Margins – 1-inch (top, bottom, left, and right)

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<u>Information</u>	<u>Example</u>
Book title	Strategic Vision
Book author(s)/editor(s)	by Jim Smith
Reviewer information	Reviewed by John Coffey, retired foreign affairs officer, US Department of State
City, state/country: publisher, year	New York: Macmillan, 2020
Page count	208 pages
Price	\$26.00

Submission Requirements

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