

**Book Review Worksheet**  
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1. Provide this bibliographic information at the top left-hand corner of your paper:  
Book title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Author (s), first name followed by last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Publishing information (place, publisher, year): \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of pages, photos and/or maps: \_\_\_\_\_
2. What **purpose** (if any) does the author give for writing this book?  
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3. What **topic** does the book cover, address or analyze (or narrate)?  
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4. What is the author's **thesis**, interpretation or conclusion about the topic? (or is it a survey?)  
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5. What **main points** or subtopics does the author discuss to support the thesis?  
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6. How compelling is the **argument**? Is it strong or weak? Does it support the thesis well?  
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2. What method of **organization** has the author employed? Is it helpful or burdensome?  
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8. What discernible **emphasis** does the book have? Is it mostly political, social, economic, etc.?  
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9. Does the author's **perspective** seem objective and balanced, or is it overtly biased? How so?  
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10. Upon what **sources** does the author rely? Are they used effectively? What of **documentation**?  
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11. What helpful **aids** does the book include (maps, bibliography, etc.)? Are others needed?  
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12. For what kind of **audience** is the book intended? Would you recommend it to others?  
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