

Doody Publishing's Online Review Process

Review Narrative Template

For Notes only. Return to
MAIN SCREEN to complete your review.

DESCRIPTION

Using complete sentences, briefly describe what the book covers and note any unique structural elements (e.g. all algorithms, bulleted lists, etc.). If this is a 2nd or later edition, note when the previous edition was published.



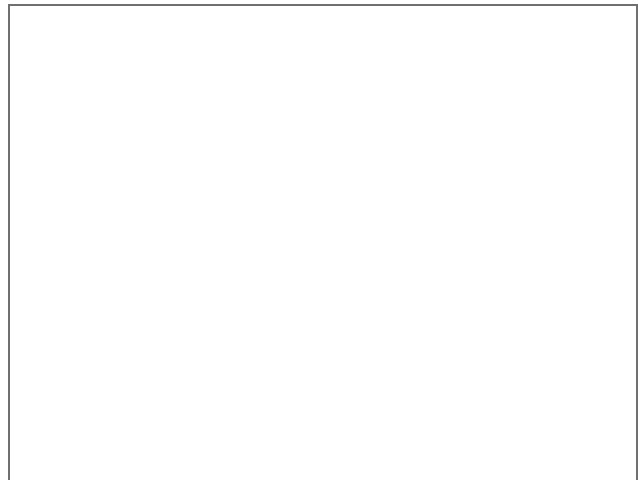
PURPOSE

Using complete sentences, address the following points:

What is the book's purpose, according to the author in the preface or from what you can glean from the introductory material?

Are those worthy objectives? Is the book needed?

Does the book meet the objectives? If so, how? If not, why not?



AUDIENCE

Using complete sentences, address the following:

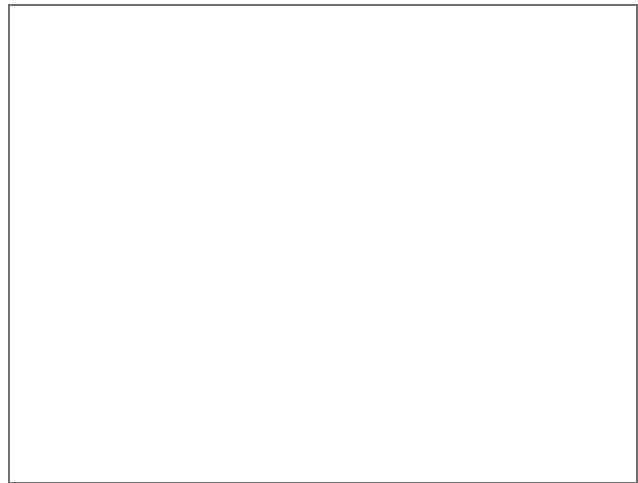
For whom is the book written (students, residents, practitioners); if practitioners, what specialties does the book target

-- according to the author(s)?

-- according to you?

Does the book meet the needs of its intended audience?

Finally, is the author (or authors) a credible authority on the subject? How? Recognized expert? Based on credentials and publications?



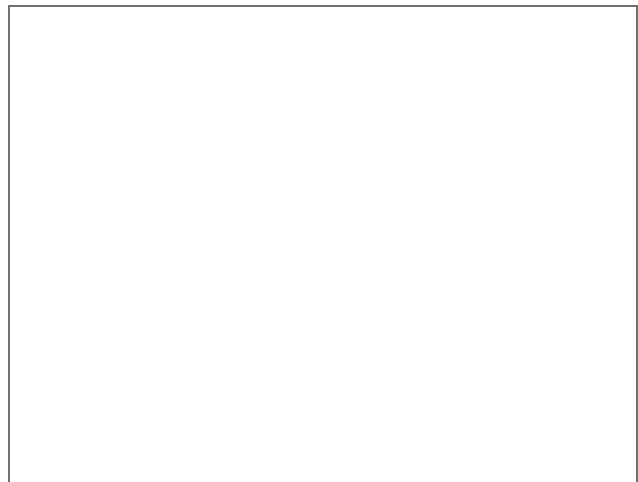
CONTENT/FEATURES OF THE BOOK

Using complete sentences, discuss in a more thorough manner what the book covers (avoid a recapitulation of the chapter titles).

Point out the best aspects of the book, such as subject areas that it covers particularly well, the clarity of the writing, the organization of the material, innovative methods that it uses to engage readers, etc.

Note any unique features (glossary, appendixes, color art) and their value for readers.

Discuss any shortcomings of the book. Are there areas that could have been covered more thoroughly or that are missing?



ASSESSMENT / COMPARISON

Using complete sentences, offer your personal opinion of the quality of the book, its usefulness to the intended audience, and how it compares to other books in the field, citing specific titles where appropriate (please provide as much information as possible about comparable titles).

If the book is an updated edition, does it justify replacing the previous edition?

