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Rubric
Please use the following rubric as a guide to how to organize your paper:

I. Description

5 points: Author's name, place of publication, date of publication, number of pages in book.

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10 points: Author's objectives. What did the author intend for the reader in writing this book?

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10 points: Did you like/dislike the book and why?

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