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4. Book reviews. About 10,000 characters.

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1 Every mention of a certain number of characters is to be understood including signs.
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c. Acceptance subject to modifications.

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