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Notes:

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Notes:
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2. The pages that the chapter occupies in the book appear as shown above in the example (Pages 387-397), followed by the italicized word in.
3. The editor (or list of editors) of the book itself appears just as for a journal article, but is followed by: "ed." (for one author) or "eds." (for more than one editor). In the example: Price, P. W., C. N. Slobodchikoff, and W. S. Gaud, eds.
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