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Short analysis, field note	600–1,000	approx. 4,000–6,500
Interview or conversation	900–1,500	approx. 6,000–10,000
Author profile	up to 250	approx. 1,700

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