

The book has definite didactic value. It can be recommended for graduate study, but those working in the fields of chemistry, physics, materials science, etc., will also find it useful (and pleasant) reading.

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Books Received

The following books have been received by the Editor. Brief and generally uncritical notices are given of works of marginal crystallographic interest; occasionally a book of

fundamental interest is included under this heading because of difficulty of finding a suitable reviewer without great delay.

Crystallography. By R. STEADMAN. Pp. viii + 120. Wokingham, England: Van Nostrand, 1982. Price £3.95. A review of this book, by H. Mendel, has been published in the January 1983 issue of *Acta Cryst.* Section A, p. 190.

Physics of intercalation compounds. Edited by L. PIETRONERO and E. TOSATTI. Pp. ix + 323. Berlin, Heidelberg: Springer-Verlag, 1981. Price DM 60, US \$28. A review of this book, by G. S. Parry, has been published in the January 1983 issue of *Acta Cryst.* Section A, pp. 188–189.

The spindle stage: principles and practice. By F. DONALD BLOSS. Pp. xii + 340. Cambridge University Press, 1981. 15 × 23 cm. Hard covers. Price UK £35.00 (net). A review of this book, by Gabrielle and J. D. H. Donnay, has been published in the January 1983 issue of *Acta Cryst.* Section A, pp. 189–190.