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| Book Name: | **The Geography of Crime: "Crime leaves a footprint, and geography reveals its path."** |
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| PART 1: Comments |
|  | Reviewer’s comment**Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | This manuscript holds significant importance for the scientific community as it sheds light on the spatial dynamics of crime and emphasizes the role of geography in understanding and preventing criminal behavior. By integrating criminological theories with spatial analysis tools such as GIS and crime mapping, the study offers valuable insights into the environmental and socio-economic factors influencing crime patterns. It contributes to the development of evidence-based strategies for targeted crime prevention and policy formulation. Moreover, the interdisciplinary approach enhances the capacity of researchers and policymakers to address crime more effectively across varied geographic and social contexts. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?****(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | The current title, **"The Geography of Crime"**, is suitable in that it reflects the core subject of the manuscript. However, it is somewhat broad and may not fully capture the depth and interdisciplinary nature of the content discussed “The Geography of Crime: Exploring Spatial Distribution and Environmental Criminology" |  |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | The abstract-like passage you provided is informative and outlines key themes, including the spatial distribution of crime, theoretical frameworks like environmental criminology and social disorganization theory, the use of GIS and crime mapping, and the role of social inequality. However, it reads more like an introduction than a structured abstract, and could benefit from some adjustments for clarity and conciseness.A good abstract typically includes:* **Background/context**
* **Purpose of the study**
* **Key theoretical frameworks**
* **Methodologies used**
* **Key findings or arguments**
* **Implications or significance**
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| **Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.**  | Yes, the manuscript is **scientifically correct** in its content and interpretation of the subject matter. It accurately presents well-established theories and findings in the field of crime geography, including:* The **non-random spatial distribution of crime**, which aligns with existing criminological research.
* Use of **environmental criminology** and **social disorganization theory** as key frameworks, both of which are widely accepted and foundational in the study of crime patterns.
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| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.****-** | The references used in the manuscript are generally **relevant and foundational**, covering key theories and concepts in the geography of crime. However, there is a **noticeable imbalance** between older foundational references and more recent literature.  |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | The overall language quality of the manuscript is **adequate for scholarly communication**, but it would benefit from **minor revisions for clarity, conciseness, and flow** to meet academic publication standards. |  |
| Optional/General comments |  |  |

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| **PART 2:**  |
|  | Reviewer’s comment | Author’s comment *(if agreed with the reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?**  | *(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in detail)* |  |

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