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# A People's History Of The United States: 1492 To Present

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## Synopsis

With a new introduction by Anthony Arnove, this updated edition of the classic national bestseller reviews the book's thirty-five year history and demonstrates once again why it is a significant contribution to a complete and balanced understanding of American history. Since its original landmark publication in 1980, *A People's History of the United States* has been chronicling American history from the bottom up, throwing out the official version of history taught in schools "with its emphasis on great men in high places" to focus on the street, the home, and the workplace. Known for its lively, clear prose as well as its scholarly research, *A People's History of the United States* is the only volume to tell America's story from the point of view of "and in the words of" America's women, factory workers, African-Americans, Native Americans, the working poor, and immigrant laborers. As historian Howard Zinn shows, many of our country's greatest battles "the fights for a fair wage, an eight-hour workday, child-labor laws, health and safety standards, universal suffrage, women's rights, racial equality" were carried out at the grassroots level, against bloody resistance. Covering Christopher Columbus's arrival through President Clinton's first term, *A People's History of the United States*, which was nominated for the American Book Award in 1981, features insightful analysis of the most important events in our history. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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## Customer Reviews

An entertaining history book. I am not a history buff. My grandson had this book for his social studies class and I read a chapter while he was visiting. It was not the stuffy history books I

remember from school days. I ordered it and have been enjoying a different type of history book ever since. It's a most enjoyable and thought provoking read. As a bonus, I get to carry on conversations about history with my grandson.

A very long read, but really worth it. I had to stop chapter by chapter because it's so disturbing. Highly recommended.

Excellent book and I recommend for everyone to read.

Long, but really interesting. I found that during this time in history it is especially interesting to make comparisons with how little progress we have actually made.

A must read for every American. We seem to repeat history all the time. Very sad

excellent and eye opening perspective

This should be required reading in all the high schools!

This book speaks truth to history and power. Well documented details of historical events. The author shows efforts to maintain impartiality but occasionally includes his reviews on some events, which I personally found to be rather helpful.

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