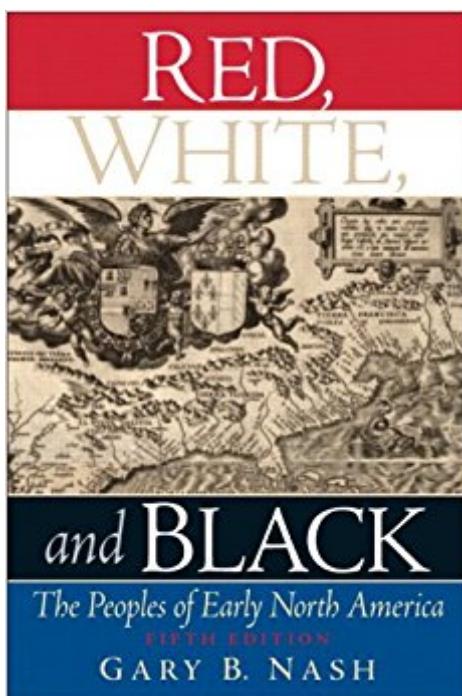


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Synopsis

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amazing book full of info

This people's history of North America is an eye-opener! Follow up with 1491 and 1493 and you'll really have a perspective of the history of North America which is very different from what you learned in your high school!

Well written, easy to read, very informative, and held my attention.

Nash shows when the distinction between class and race with the advent of slavery in early America. Excellent book and easy read for an academic history publication.

Got here on time for class and was a lot cheaper than the fsu bookstore!!

First of all, I can see where some would find this book boring- that is if the reader has no interest in American History. But this begs the question- why would such a person pick up this book to begin with? For class maybe, but I imagine every student of history has read a difficult book or two. This one simply doesn't qualify. As far as books I've had to read for school, this was pretty easy to get through. This book is not a primary source. If you are looking for such a thing, look elsewhere. This is a well-researched account of life on the early American frontier, and the interaction between different cultures. Someone makes the claim further down that this book makes the Europeans look really bad. I disagree. This book does a fine job of looking at this time period from multiple viewpoints. There are moments when the Europeans will come off badly, but almost any group has its moments throughout history where it's not going to be a shining example of how to live your life. Aside from which, as this book points out, the Europeans are not one single group and the different European groups looked at within this book (The English, Dutch, French, and Spanish) all had different relationships with the various indigenous peoples of what would become the eastern United States. This book also takes a look at slavery and the origins of that horrid institution in the Americas. It is often fascinating reading and certainly doesn't deserve the one star reviews it's received.

Nash does an exemplary job of combing sources to examine how the motives and the cultural backgrounds of European settlers affected their relations with Indians as they settled North America. He does an excellent job of exploring the complexity of the mix with the later inclusion of escaped slaves into a melting pot of America that has generally been overlooked. We have had studies of individual communities where Blacks, Indians, and Europeans have blended, but Nash provides us with a history of such mixing throughout the East Coast of North America. Well written and well documented.

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