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this book is very well written and is really good for students. I personally like how everything is simply explained. Also, I found that this book contained a lot of info about the topic but without being long and boring. Props to the writer.

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Terrific overview of the Cuban Revolution. A must read for anyone traveling to Cuba, trying to understand why Americans are the only people in the world restricted from independent travel in Cuba and why the revolution is admired worldwide. The good is balanced by the excesses, the undemocratic actions and the tragedies that are also the revolution.

You can give this book, or parts of this book, to an upper level high school class or a community college class and it will help them separate the myths about Cuba that they have grown up with from reality, good, bad and simply complex. The author is/was clearly in favor of the fight against neo-colonialism, but she doesn't get on her high horse and push her POV on you.

covered a lot of information about Cuba in all realms and gave me a lot of very helpful background information. At times was a bit laborious but a reasonable trade off for the good information it provided.

Really well written and approachable book. The author treated the subject for the most part neutrally and connected many of the subjects covered. The only real short fall is that it was short, wish it had a larger and deeper exploration of the subject by the author but as an introductory book into the subject it makes sense and excels at it.

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