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compelling provocative and learned this book is a stunning and sophisticated reevaluation of the american empire hopkins tells an old story in a truly new way american history will never be the same again jeremi suri author of the impossible presidency the rise and fall of america s highest office office

from mexico to vietnam from nicaragua to lebanon and more recently to kosovo east timor and now iraq the united states has intervened in the affairs of other nations yet american leaders continue to promote the myth that america is benevolent and peace loving and involves itself in conflicts only to defend the rights of others excesses and cruelties though sometimes admitted usually are regarded as

momentary aberrations this classic book is the first truly comprehensive history of american imperialism now fully updated and featuring a new introduction by howard zinn it is a must read for all students and scholars of american history renowned author sidney lens shows how the united states from the time it gained its own independence has used every available means political economic and military to dominate other nations lens presents a powerful argument meticulously pieced together from a huge array of sources to prove that imperialism is an inevitable consequence of the u s economic system surveying the pressures external and internal on the united states today he concludes that like any other empire the reign of the u s will end and he examines how this time of reckoning may come about

in a challenging provocative book andrew bacevich reconsiders the assumptions and purposes governing the exercise of american global power examining the presidencies of george h w bush and bill clinton as well as george w bush s first year in office he demolishes the view that the united states has failed to devise a replacement for containment as a basis for foreign policy he finds instead that successive post cold war administrations have adhered to a well defined strategy of openness motivated by the imperative of economic expansionism that strategy aims to foster an open and integrated international order thereby perpetuating the undisputed primacy of the world s sole remaining superpower moreover openness is not a new strategy but has been an abiding preoccupation of policymakers as far back as woodrow wilson although based on expectations that eliminating barriers to the movement of trade capital and ideas nurtures not only affluence but also democracy the aggressive pursuit of openness has met considerable resistance to overcome that resistance u s policymakers have with increasing frequency resorted to force and military power has emerged as never before as the preferred instrument of american statecraft resulting in the progressive militarization of u s foreign policy neither indictment nor celebration american empire sees the drive for openness for what it is a breathtakingly ambitious project aimed at erecting a global imperium large questions remain about that project s feasibility and about the human financial and moral costs that it will entail by penetrating the illusions obscuring the reality of u s policy this book marks an essential first step toward finding the answers

in the american empire scott nearing presents a critical examination of united states imperialism exploring the socio economic and political ramifications of american expansionism nearing s writing is marked by a persuasive and engaging style blending personal anecdotes historical analysis and socialist critique all set against the backdrop of early 20th century america the book delves into various dimensions of imperialism interrogating its foundational philosophies and the ethical dilemmas it poses for both the american populace and the regions affected by its policies nearing challenges readers to confront the stark contrasts between america s professed democratic ideals and its imperialistic actions scott nearing a prominent economist educator and social activist was deeply influenced by the socioeconomic upheavals of his time including the great depression and the rise of labor movements his commitment to social justice and equitable economic systems often found expression through his writings and political activism nearing s socialist ideals and lifestyle choices including his embrace of sustainable living imbued his critique with a sense of urgency and relevance that resonates with

contemporary discussions on imperialism and capitalism i highly recommend the american empire for those interested in a thought provoking analysis of american foreign policy and its global implications nearing s insights are as relevant today as they were during his time inviting readers to reflect on the legacy of imperialism and its moral imperatives this book is essential for scholars students and anyone seeking a deeper understanding of the complexities of american governance and its impact on the world in this enriched edition we have carefully created added value for your reading experience a succinct introduction situates the work s timeless appeal and themes the synopsis outlines the central plot highlighting key developments without spoiling critical twists a detailed historical context immerses you in the era s events and influences that shaped the writing a thorough analysis dissects symbols motifs and character arcs to unearth underlying meanings reflection questions prompt you to engage personally with the work s messages connecting them to modern life hand picked memorable quotes shine a spotlight on moments of literary brilliance interactive footnotes clarify unusual references historical allusions and archaic phrases for an effortless more informed read

a new history of the united states that turns american exceptionalism on its head american empire is a panoramic work of scholarship that presents a bold new global perspective on the history of the united states drawing on his expertise in economic history and the imperial histories of britain and europe a g hopkins takes readers from the colonial era to today to show how far from diverging the united states and western europe followed similar trajectories throughout this long period and how america s dependency on britain and europe extended much later into the nineteenth century than previously understood in a sweeping narrative spanning three centuries hopkins describes how the revolt of the mainland colonies was the product of a crisis that afflicted the imperial states of europe generally and how the history of the american republic between 1783 and 1865 was a response not to the termination of british influence but to its continued expansion he traces how the creation of a u s industrial nation state after the civil war paralleled developments in western europe fostered similar destabilizing influences and found an outlet in imperialism through the acquisition of an insular empire in the caribbean and pacific the period of colonial rule that followed reflected the history of the european empires in its ideological justifications economic relations and administrative principles after 1945 a profound shift in the character of globalization brought the age of the great territorial empires to an end american empire goes beyond the myth of american exceptionalism to place the united states within the wider context of the global historical forces that shaped the western empires and the world

this new study shows how the american led war on terror has brought about the most significant shift in the contours of the international system since the end of the cold war a new imperial moment is now discernible in us foreign policy in the wake of the neo conservative rise to power in the usa marked by the development of a fresh strategic doctrine based on the legitimacy of preventative military strikes on hostile forces across any part of the globe key features of this new volume include an alternative critical take on contemporary us foreign policy a timely accessible overview of critical thinking on us foreign policy imperialism and war on terror the full spectrum of critical view sin a single volume many of these essays are now contemporary classics the essays collected in this volume analyse the

historical socio economic and political dimensions of the current international conjuncture and assess the degree to which the war on terror has transformed the nature and projection of us global power drawing on a range of critical social theories this collection seeks to ground historically the analysis of global developments since the inception of the new bush presidency and weigh up the political consequences of this imperial turn this book will be of great interest for all students of us foreign policy contemporary international affairs international relations and politics

presents a collection of essays that look at the origins of american imperialism the influence the united states has overseas and the future of imperialism

since its landmark publication in 1980 the original history has sold more than 17 million copies more than a successful book it triggered a revolution in the way history is told displacing the official versions with their emphasis on great men in high places to chronicle events as they were lived from the bottom up historians howard zinn and paul buhle and cartoonist mike konopacki have collaborated to retell in vibrant graphic form a most immediate and relevant chapter of a people s history of american empire the story of america s ever growing role on the world stage narrated by zinn this version opens with the events of 9 11 and then tracks back to explore the cycles of us expansionism from wounded knee to iraq while taking in world war i central america vietnam and the iranian revolution the book also follows the story of zinn the son of poor jewish immigrants from his childhood in the brooklyn slums to his role as one of america s leading historians shifting from world shattering events to one family s small revolutions this is a classic ground level history of america in a dazzling new form

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the united states rose from a modest colonial power to a formidable world superpower but then it went into decline m y demeri traces the major events that allowed a loosely held league of thirteen british colonies to become a union of fifty states spanning the north american continent as well as alaska and hawaii the nation would revolutionize world arts science technology space exploration and lead the digital revolution all while promoting the ideals of democracy freedom and liberty but it also contributed to global conflicts a nuclear

arms race political upheavals and the financial collapse of world markets to this day it has failed to live up to its promise of turning economic success and prosperity into social progress with more than two hundred charts and tables this book examines where america has been what led to its decline and how a rising deficit soaring health care and social security costs national security concerns and miscarriages of social justice pushed it into decline more importantly however it offers solutions to reverse course before we witness the end of the rise and decline of the american empire

chronicles how far our foreign policy has come from the founders intentions details the threat to america s security and prosperity posed by mortgaging our future to support the rest of the world and lays out a plan to strengthen our nation by restoring a foreign policy that adheres to the constitution publisher s website

american empire in the pacific explores the empire that emerged from the oregon treaty of 1846 with great britain and the outcome of the mexican war in 1848 together they signalled the mastery of the united states over the continent of north america the pacific ocean and the ancient civilizations of asia at last lay within reach england s east india company in the 17th and 18th centuries had introduced asian wares including tea to the american colonists but wars against france and then the struggle for american independence held back expansion by yankee entrepreneurs until 1783 thereafter from the atlantic seaboard american ships began regularly to reach china merchants sailors and missionaries motivated toward trade and redemption like the europeans they met along the way encountered the exotic peoples and cultures of the pacific would be empire builders projected a manifest destiny without limits russian alaska the native kingdom of hawai i japan korea samoa and spain s philippine islands as well as a transcontinental railroad and an isthmian canal acquired strategic significance in american minds in time to outweigh both commerce and conversion

this book shows how the predominantly national focus that characterises studies of the united states after 1783 can be integrated with global trends as viewed from the perspective of imperial history the book also argues that historians of european empires have much to gain by considering the united states after 1783 as a newly decolonised country that acquired overseas territorial possessions in 1898 and remained a member of the western imperial club until the mid twentieth century the wide ranging synthesis by a g hopkins *american empire a global history 2018* provides the starting point for contributions that appraise its main theme and take it in new directions the first three chapters identify fresh approaches to u s history between the revolution and the civil war suggesting ways in which the united states can be considered as a newly decolonised country examining shifting meanings of the term empire and reassessing the character of continental expansion the second group deals with initiatives and responses in the philippines and cuba reconsidering the character of nationalism in two of the most important overseas territories that were either ruled directly or controlled indirectly by the united states and placing it an international context the third group examines the exercise of u s power in the twentieth century identifying aspects of international law that have been overlooked and reviewing the extensive literature on the controversial themes of the cold war and

informal empire after 1945 the ten chapters in this edited volume bring together noted specialists on the history of international relations the united states and the insular empire it ruled in the twentieth century the chapters were originally published as articles in a special issue of the journal of imperial and commonwealth history

in america as empire jim garrison urges us to face up to the complexities and responsibilities inherent in the indisputable fact that america is now the world s single preeminent power america garrison writes has become what it was founded not to be established as a haven for those fleeing the abuse of power it has attained and now wields near absolute power it has become an empire garrison traces the roots of the american empire to the very beginnings of the republic in particular to the historic willingness of united states to use military might in the defense of two consistent if sometimes contradictory foreign policy objectives protection of american commercial interests and promotion of democracy how long can the american empire last garrison looks at american history within the context of the rise and fall of empires and argues that the u s can gain important insights into durability from the romans he details the interplay between military power political institutions and legal structures that enabled the roman empire at it s apogee to last for longer than america has as a country but the real question is what kind of empire can and should america be as the sole superpower america must lead in shaping a new global order just as after world war ii roosevelt and truman took the lead in shaping a new international order that international order is now crumbling under the pressures of globalization persistent poverty terrorism and fundamentalism garrison outlines the kinds of cooperative global structures america must promote if its empire is to leave a lasting legacy of greatness garrison calls for americans to consciously see themselves as a transitional empire one whose task is not to dominate but to catalyze the next generation of global governance mechanisms that would make obsolete the need for empire if this is done america could be the final empire

how could the united states a nation founded on the principles of liberty and equality have produced abu ghraib torture memos plamegate and warrantless wiretaps did america set out to become an empire and if so how has it reconciled its imperialism and in some cases its crimes with the idea of liberty so forcefully expressed in the declaration of independence empire for liberty tells the story of men who used the rhetoric of liberty to further their imperial ambitions and reveals that the quest for empire has guided the nation s architects from the very beginning and continues to do so today

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an historian examines six public figures from benjamin franklin to paul wolfowitz who used the language of liberty to further american imperialism how could the united states a nation founded on the principles of liberty and equality have produced abu ghraib torture memos and warrantless wiretaps in empire for liberty historian richard immerman reveals that the quest for empire has guided the nation s architects from the very beginning and continues to do so today immerman paints nuanced portraits of six men who influenced the course of american empire benjamin franklin john quincy adams william henry seward henry cabot lodge john foster dulles and paul wolfowitz each played a pivotal role as empire builder and with the exception of adams did so without occupying the presidency taking readers from the nation s founding to the war on terror immerman shows how the trajectory of american empire was relentless if not straight and how these shrewd and powerful individuals shaped their rhetoric about liberty to suit the times and their needs but immerman also demonstrates liberty and empire were on a collision course and in the global war on terror and the occupation of iraq they violently collided

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