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John Pilger is one of the world's renowned investigative journalists and documentary film-makers. In this fully updated collection, he reveals the secrets and illusions of modern imperialism. Beginning with Indonesia, he shows how General Suharto's bloody seizure of power in the 1960s was part of a western design to impose a 'global economy' on Asia. A million Indonesians dies as the price for being the World Bank's 'model pupil'. In a shocking chapter on Iraq, he allows us to understand the true nature of the West's war against the people of that country. And he dissects, piece by piece, the propaganda of the 'war on terror' to expose its Orwellian truth. Finally, he looks behind the picture postcard of his homeland, Australia, to illuminate an enduring legacy of imperialism, the subjugation of the First Australians.

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Mariam says

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Leanna Pohevitz says

5 out of 5 on a nonfiction book doesn't mean you agree with every word, but instead in this case it means I am DAMN impressed with his research. It also means I am going to try to get my hands on more of what he has written. The mentioning of the bombing of Al-Shifa in Sudan for instance, and the ramifications of that - were in and of themselves important pieces of information, let alone all the outlining of Iraq, Afghanistan, Indonesia, and Australia. I am a better informed more curious person because of this work.

As an aside, being that he is Australian, I REALLY appreciate that he criticizes Bush Sr, Bush Jr and Clinton in equal measure. He takes an outside look at what each of their administrations did and says, 'not so great no matter which side you are on' and that is refreshing after years of listening to tons of 'intellectuals' fully supporting either the Dems or Reps according to what view they think the parties have and not questioning what their representatives are actually doing. I need to read more outside perspectives on US politics - and if you have suggestions throw them at me please!

Dr. Barrett Dylan Brown, Phd says

Picked mostly for the title, this book is simply too sad and horrific in it's truth to be very enjoyable. Just page after relentless page of government complicity in genocides and mass starvations around the world. Very well researched and backed up by documentation it shows how political figures blatantly use the ignorance of populaces to get away with EvIL.

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Kushal Saharan says

Bold and disillusioning. I will not comment as to who is right and who is wrong but this book sure shakes you out of complacency. It makes you think how deep the propaganda professed by the west runs, and makes you question the premises you base your beliefs upon. And its not just about the propaganda run by the west but also by the political factions in your country, often supported (sometime intentionally and sometimes unintentionally) by the media, feeding us the most contrived version of events that suits them. It is appalling how low the most powerful can stoop to oppress the oppressed and satiate their appetite for power, political and economic.

Sacrificing the comfort of complacency will always be tough, but to keep mum is just not a sustainable policy we can adopt. It reminds of what Martin Niemöller wrote

*First they came for the Socialists, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Socialist.*

*Then they came for the Trade Unionists, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Trade Unionist.*

*Then they came for the Jews, and I did not speak out—
Because I was not a Jew.*

Then they came for me—and there was no one left to speak for me.
