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The Mythistorical Chinese Scholar-Rebel-Advisor Li Yan - Roger V. Des Forges

2020-03-09

This book uses a genealogical manuscript discovered in 2004 to argue for the historicity of the scholar-rebel-advisor Li Yan who helped overthrow the Ming polity in 1644. It invokes a spiral theory to elucidate his significance in Chinese and world history.

China's New Red Guards - Jude Blanchette
2019

In China's New Red Guards, Jude Blanchette illuminates two trends in contemporary China that point to its revival of Mao Zedong's legacy—a development that he argues will result in a more authoritarian and more militaristic China. This book not only will reshape our understanding of the political forces driving contemporary China, it will also demonstrate how ideologies can survive and prosper despite pervasive rumors of their demise.

Marco Polo - Nick McCarty 2008

A biography of the Italian explorer who became famous for his travels in Asia.

Charismatic Leadership and Social Movements - Jan Willem Stutje 2012-08-30

Much of the writing on charisma focuses on specific traits associated with exceptional leaders, a practice that has broadened the concept of charisma to such an extent that it loses its distinctiveness - and therefore its utility. More particularly, the concept's relevance to the study of social movements has not moved beyond generalizations. The contributors to this volume renew the debate on charismatic leadership from a historical perspective and seek to illuminate the concept's relevance to the study of social movements. The case studies here include such leaders as Mahatma Gandhi; the architect of apartheid, Daniel F. Malan; the heroine of the Spanish Civil War, Dolores Ibarruri (la Pasionaria); and Mao Zedong. These charismatic leaders were not just professional politicians or administrators, but

sustained a strong symbiotic relationship with their followers, one that stimulated devotion to the leader and created a real group identity.

Mao - Alexander V. Pantsov 2013-10-29

Draws on extensive, previously unavailable Russian documents to reveal details about Mao Zedong's rise to power and leadership in China, covering such topics as his health, alleged affairs, and controversial political decisions.

Isaac Newton - Philip Steele 2007

Emphasizing the childhood of each famous individual, the books in this series blend personal diaries, school reports, family photographs, and primary quotes to create a scrapbook-style layout which gives a close-up look at some of the most influential people of all time.

Maoism - Julia Lovell 2019-09-03

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FOR POLITICAL WRITING*** 'Revelatory and instructive... [a] beautifully written and accessible book' The Times For decades, the West has dismissed Maoism as an outdated historical and political phenomenon. Since the 1980s, China seems to have abandoned the utopian turmoil of Mao's revolution in favour of authoritarian capitalism. But Mao and his ideas remain central to the People's Republic and the legitimacy of its Communist government. With disagreements and conflicts between China and the West on the rise, the need to understand the political legacy of Mao is urgent and growing. The power and appeal of Maoism have extended far beyond China. Maoism was a crucial motor of the Cold War: it shaped the course of the Vietnam War (and the international youth rebellions that conflict triggered) and brought to power the murderous Khmer Rouge in

Cambodia; it aided, and sometimes handed victory to, anti-colonial resistance movements in Africa; it inspired terrorism in Germany and Italy, and wars and insurgencies in Peru, India and Nepal, some of which are still with us today – more than forty years after the death of Mao. In this new history, Julia Lovell re-evaluates Maoism as both a Chinese and an international force, linking its evolution in China with its global legacy. It is a story that takes us from the tea plantations of north India to the sierras of the Andes, from Paris's fifth arrondissement to the fields of Tanzania, from the rice paddies of Cambodia to the terraces of Brixton. Starting with the birth of Mao's revolution in northwest China in the 1930s and concluding with its violent afterlives in South Asia and resurgence in the People's Republic today, this is a landmark history of global Maoism.
Mao - Jonathan D. Spence 1999
In this dazzling blend of history, literature and politics, the world's pre-eminent historian of

China, gets to the heart of the complex personality of Chairman Mao Zedong. Steeped in Chinese politics and culture, Spence penetrates Mao's rhetoric and infamous self-will to distil an intimate portrait of a man as withdrawn and mysterious as the emperors he disdained. How did this farm boy from the remote Hunan province, with a haphazard education and unexceptional talents, evolve from a rebel youth cutting off his braided queue and refusing the 'legalized rape' of a bourgeois marriage to the Iron hand that devastated millions for so long? Spence masterfully illuminates a man who, at a watershed moment in history, turned the classic Chinese concept of reform through reversal into an endless adventure in upheaval and examines why he is still remembered with hate, awe and even reverence.

The World Turned Upside Down - Yang Jisheng 2021-01-19

Yang Jisheng's *The World Turned Upside Down* is the definitive history of the Cultural

Revolution, in withering and heartbreaking detail. As a major political event and a crucial turning point in the history of the People's Republic of China, the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution (1966-1976) marked the zenith as well as the nadir of Mao Zedong's ultra-leftist politics. Reacting in part to the Soviet Union's "revisionism" that he regarded as a threat to the future of socialism, Mao mobilized the masses in a battle against what he called "bourgeois" forces within the Chinese Communist Party (CCP). This ten-year-long class struggle on a massive scale devastated traditional Chinese culture as well as the nation's economy. Following his groundbreaking and award-winning history of the Great Famine, Tombstone, Yang Jisheng here presents the only history of the Cultural Revolution by an independent scholar based in mainland China, and makes a crucial contribution to understanding those years' lasting influence today. The World Turned Upside Down puts every political incident, major

and minor, of those ten years under extraordinary and withering scrutiny, and arrives in English at a moment when contemporary Chinese governance is leaning once more toward a highly centralized power structure and Mao-style cult of personality.

Mao: A Very Short Introduction - Delia Davin
2013-04-25

As a giant of 20th century history, Mao Zedong played many roles: peasant revolutionary, patriotic leader against the Japanese occupation, Marxist theoretician, modernizer, and visionary despot. This Very Short Introduction chronicles Mao's journey from peasant child to ruler of the most populous nation on Earth. He was a founder of both the Chinese Communist Party and the Red Army, and for many years he fought on two fronts, for control of the Party and in an armed struggle for the Party's control of the country. His revolution unified China and began its rise to world power status. He was the architect of the Great Leap Forward that he

hoped would make China both prosperous and egalitarian, but instead ended in economic disaster resulting in millions of deaths. It was Mao's growing suspicion of his fellow leaders that led him to launch the Cultural Revolution, and his last years were dogged by ill-health and his despairing attempts to find a successor whom he trusted. Delia Davin provides an invaluable introduction to Mao, showing him in all his complexity; ruthless, brutal, and ambitious, a man of enormous talent and perception, yet a leader who is still detested by some and venerated by others. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts, analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable.

Tensions in the Gulf, 1978-1991 - J. E. Peterson

2014-11-17

Tensions in the Gulf, 1978-1991 examines events in the Persian Gulf region from the time Saddam Hussein came to power in Iraq through the conclusion of the 1991 Gulf War.

How the Red Sun Rose - Gao Hua 2018-11-15

This work offers the most comprehensive account of the origin and consequences of the Yan'an Rectification Movement from 1942 to 1945. The author argues that this campaign emancipated the Chinese Communist Party from Sovietinfluenced dogmatism and unified the Party, preparing it for the final victory against the Nationalist Party in 1949. More importantly, this monograph shows in great detail how Mao Zedong established his leadership through this partywide political movement by means of aggressive intraparty purges, thought control, coercive cadre examinations, and total reorganizations of the Party's upper structure. The result of this movement not only set up the foundation for Mao's new China, but also deeply

influenced the Chinese political structure today. The Chinese version of *How the Red Sun Rose* was published in 2000, and has had nineteen printings since then.

World History Biographies: Leonardo Da Vinci - John Phillips 2008

A biography of the notable Italian Renaissance artist, scientist, and inventor.

Mandela - Ann Kramer 2008

Presents a biography of the South African leader, who spent years as a political activist and prisoner trying to overturn apartheid and who went on to become the country's first black president. Reprint.

The Cultural Revolution - Frank Dikötter
2017-06-06

The concluding volume--following *Mao's Great Famine* and *The Tragedy of Liberation*--in Frank Dikötter's award-winning trilogy chronicling the Communist revolution in China. After the economic disaster of the Great Leap Forward that claimed tens of millions of lives from

1958–1962, an aging Mao Zedong launched an ambitious scheme to shore up his reputation and eliminate those he viewed as a threat to his legacy. The Cultural Revolution's goal was to purge the country of bourgeois, capitalistic elements he claimed were threatening genuine communist ideology. Young students formed the Red Guards, vowing to defend the Chairman to the death, but soon rival factions started fighting each other in the streets with semiautomatic weapons in the name of revolutionary purity. As the country descended into chaos, the military intervened, turning China into a garrison state marked by bloody purges that crushed as many as one in fifty people. *The Cultural Revolution: A People's History, 1962–1976* draws for the first time on hundreds of previously classified party documents, from secret police reports to unexpurgated versions of leadership speeches. After the army itself fell victim to the Cultural Revolution, ordinary people used the political chaos to resurrect the market and hollow out the

party's ideology. By showing how economic reform from below was an unintended consequence of a decade of violent purges and entrenched fear, The Cultural Revolution casts China's most tumultuous era in a wholly new light.

Agents of Disorder - Andrew G. Walder

2019-10-08

Why did the Chinese Communist Party state collapse so rapidly during the Cultural Revolution? Consulting over 2,000 local annals chronicling some 34,000 revolutionary episodes across China, Andrew Walder offers a new answer, showing how the army, brought in to quiet brewing rebellions, escalated the violence that took nearly 1.6 million lives.

Quotations from Chairman Mao Tsetung - Zedong Mao 1990

The Chinese Communist Party - Timothy Cheek

2021-05-06

Ten engaging personal histories introduce

readers to what it was like to live in and with the most powerful political machine ever created: the Chinese Communist Party. Detailing the life of ten people who led or engaged with the Chinese Communist Party, one each for one of its ten decades of its existence, these essays reflect on the Party's relentless pursuit of power and extraordinary adaptability through the transformative decades since 1921.

Demonstrating that the history of the Chinese Communist Party is not one story but many stories, readers learn about paths not taken, the role of chance, ideas and persons silenced, hopes both lost and fulfilled. This vivid mosaic of lives and voices draws together one hundred years of modern Chinese history - and illuminates possible paths for China's future.

Mao - Philip Short 2001-02

A portrait of Mao explores the life of the peasant who rose to the position of "chairman" of China's communist party and absolute ruler of the country, overseeing both brilliant reform and

terrible butchery during his long reign.

History of Soybeans and Soyfoods in China and Taiwan, and in Chinese Cookbooks, Restaurants, and Chinese Work with Soyfoods Outside China (1024 BCE to 2014)

- William Shurtleff 2014-06-22

The world's most comprehensive, well documented, and well illustrated book on this subject. With extensive index. 372 photographs and illustrations. Free of charge in digital format on Google Books.

From Rebel to Ruler - Tony Saich 2021-07-06

On the centennial of the founding of the Chinese Communist Party, the definitive history of how Mao and his successors overcame incredible odds to gain and keep power. Mao Zedong and the twelve other young men who founded the Chinese Communist Party in 1921 could hardly have imagined that less than thirty years later they would be rulers. On its hundredth anniversary, the party remains in command, leading a nation primed for global dominance.

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endurance to its flexibility. But is it nimble enough to realize Xi Jinping's "China Dream"? Challenges are multiplying, as the growing middle class makes new demands on the state and the ideological retreat from communism draws the party further from its revolutionary roots. The legacy of the party may be secure, but its future is anything but guaranteed.

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new demands on the state and the ideological retreat from communism draws the party further from its revolutionary roots. The legacy of the party may be secure, but its future is anything but guaranteed.

Autocracy and China's Rebel Founding Emperors - Anita M. Andrew 2000

What kind of 'ruler' was Mao Zedong? Utilizing a rich mix of analysis and new translations, this book examines other imperial predecessors and the elements linking Mao and Ming Taizu, the fourteenth-century peasant rebel who founded the Ming dynasty, as well as critiques of Western and Chinese scholarship. The book then presents translations with commentary of PRC scholars on Taizu and Mao, showing the evolution in Chinese thought toward both rulers from the Cultural Revolution to the Deng Xiaoping reform era.

Biography and Autobiography - J. Noonan
1993-11-15

Mao Zedong - Flora Geyer 2007

A biography of Mao Zedong, who is famous for establishing a communist government over China.

Eleanor of Aquitaine - Ann Kramer 2006

Presents the life of the twelfth-century ruler, who became the queen of France and then England, who was an active participant in many of the rivalries between the royal houses of the period, and was the mother of ten children, including Richard the Lionhearted.

Galileo - Philip Steele 2008

Chronicles the life and times of the Tuscan astronomer and physicist, focusing on his defense of the Copernican theory and his struggles with the Catholic Church.

Hu Jintao - Kerry Brown 2012-03-26

Over the six-month period from late 2012 to early 2013, Hu Jintao, the President of the People's Republic of China, Chair of the Central Military Commission, and Party Secretary of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP), will relinquish

at least two of his three positions. According to the constitution of the CCP, his time as Party head will come to an end, given that he has already served for two terms. Well over the supposed retirement age of 68, he will have to hand over the leadership of China to a new generation of leaders at the 18th Party Congress in Beijing. In Chinese politics, the act of retirement is surprisingly difficult, but Hu Jintao is widely known for his reserve and reticence; there is little doubt that he could disappear into a quiet and anonymous retirement if he so desires. This timely volume thus aims to provide an analytical assessment of Hu's period in charge of the world's most populous country. It concentrates briefly on his early life and entry into politics, then considers and evaluates his stewardship of the economy and of international affairs, as well as his ideological contribution and leadership of the communist party. In the process, the reader will also be afforded a broad overview of China's rapid developments over the

last decade, since 2002. Contents: Life The Hu Era: Politics and Internal Affairs A Strong Rich Country: The Chinese Economy Under Hu China's International Face Under Hu What Does Hu Think? Ideology in the Hu Era Always the Party Man: Hu and the CCP Hu Jintao: A Provisional Assessment Readership: Undergraduate and postgraduate students, academics & general public interested in China's politics, society and history.

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Features: Unique — no other attempt has been made to do this so far Focused on his personality and tries to tell the story of China since 2002 around his impact and influence Based on the author's experiences as a former diplomat and then as senior fellow for one of the world's most important think tanks in China Reviews: "Kerry Brown has written an outstandingly insightful book on Hu Jintao. This is not only the first English-language biography of one of the most

powerful and also most enigmatic political leaders in the world today, but also an invaluable guide to contemporary China and its prospects." Dr Julia Lovell Birkbeck, University of London "In Hu Jintao: China's Silent Ruler, Kerry Brown offers a comprehensive and informative account of Hu Jintao's leadership of China during the crucial first decade of the twenty-first century. Brown assesses the policy successes and shortcomings of Hu's leadership in such critical areas as Chinese economics, foreign policy, the Chinese Communist Party, and social stability. Brown's wide-ranging analysis establishes the benchmark for any future study of Hu Jintao's presidency."

Professor Robert Ross Boston College
Representing Lives in China - Ihor Pidhainy
2019-10-15

The chapters in this ground-breaking volume examine the complex practices of biographical writing in Ming and Qing China. The authors draw on a rich variety of sources to answer some

basic questions: Who were the writers of these texts and the subjects of their biographical constructions? What motivated these textual productions and sustained the routes from (re)creations to (re)publications? The informed and fascinating readings illuminate the enduring appeal of representing and represented lives in Chinese history.

A Dream of Freedom - Diane McWhorter 2004
A powerful but intimate book explores the sacrifices and triumphs of African-Americans in their pursuit of social and political equality, and takes a hard, painful look at the often violent resistance they met from white Americans.

Mao's Little Red Book - Alexander C. Cook
2014-03-06

On the fiftieth anniversary of Quotations from Chairman Mao, this pioneering volume examines the book as a global historical phenomenon.

The Vietnam War - Deborah Kent 2011-01-01
What are we over here fighting for? An American soldier asked this question during the Vietnam

War. Many other American soldiers and citizens wondered the same thing. The conflict began when the United States sent armed forces to defend South Vietnam against Communist North Vietnam. It was supposed to be a brief military operation, but it ended as a bloody, twelve-year conflict in which thousands of American soldiers were killed. Author Deborah Kent examines this tragic and controversial period in American history from the first Marines arriving at Da Nang to the final airlift out of Saigon.

The Gift of Peace -

Listen Africans! A Revolution Is Coming - Emma Samuel Etuk 2011-01-20

“Etuk has been indefatigable in his profound determination for African revolution as admonished not only in this piece but also in his other works.” —Adams O. Adah, Founder of Impart Africa, author of *Service As Africa* begins her journey into the twenty-first century, the citizens ask: how can we survive? In *Listen*

Africans! A Revolution is Coming, author Emma Samuel Etuk addresses the question of revolution—a fundamental change to the basic fabric of society—and its historical manifestations. Through thorough research, Etuk presents strong arguments about the need for change in the social, political, economic, and religious life of Africans. He contends that an array of issues has brought the continent to this point, including broken promises by administrators and governments; poverty and widespread hunger; angry youth and unemployment; official corruption, insensitivity, and kleptocracy; tyranny, despotism, and dictatorships; state-sponsored terrorism; infrastructural decay; and environmental pollution. As Etuk uses these examples and makes a call for a revolution, he provides a backdrop by discussing the following: Origin of revolutions Necessity for an African revolution Theological basis for a revolution Five kinds of revolutions Lessons learned from the six major

revolutions of the past Preparation for a revolution Etuk maintains that change is necessary in life and that it is up to the Africans to decide what kind of revolution they should adopt in order to affect change on their continent.

Michelangelo - Philip Wilkinson 2006

Presents the life of the Renaissance artist, covering his childhood, the early recognition of his talent, the patronage of his work by the Medicis and the Vatican, and the creation of his masterpiece, the "Sistine Chapel."

Rebel Leaders - Ed Wright 2007-01-01

Rebel Leaders focuses on the world-shaping, powerful arena of politics and warfare, looking at those revolutionaries throughout the centuries who have changed the course of history. Since ancient times, rebel leaders have fought against oppressive colonial masters, autocratic tyrants, crushing military regimes or rule by supreme monarchs and emperors. Other rebels have fought for causes less noble. Some

of them have succeeded in overthrowing their enemy and establishing themselves and instituting their political vision—sometimes only briefly, sometimes for their lifetime, as in the case of Fidel Castro. Some, like George Washington, have been handed ultimate power yet refused the temptation of absolute rule.

Rebel Leaders examines seventeen intriguing figures who have fought the state and won.

Space Exploration - Carole Stott 2010-04

Help your child learn about space exploration with the new edition of this fact-packed guide and dedicated website From how satellites in space help us to forecast the weather to how an astronaut's body is affected upon re-entering Earth's atmosphere; let your child discover all about the mysteries beyond Earth. They'll discover more about space exploration. Great for projects or just for fun, ensure your child learns everything they need to know about space exploration. With dedicated website www.ew.dk.com.

Mao and the Chinese Revolution - Yves Chevrier
2004

Illustrated with over 100 archival photographs and maps, this text for students and general readers offers a concise history of the Chinese Revolution and evaluates Mao Zedong and his influence on China and the world.

Saladin - Flora Geyer 2006

Presents an illustrated biography Saladin, from his birth into a prominent Kurdish family in

Tikrit, Mesopotamia, in 1138, through his wars to regain holy lands in and around Jerusalem, to his death in Damascus on March 4, 1193.

On Guerrilla Warfare - Mao Tse-tung
2012-03-06

The first documented, systematic study of a truly revolutionary subject, this 1937 text remains the definitive guide to guerrilla warfare. It concisely explains unorthodox strategies that transform disadvantages into benefits.