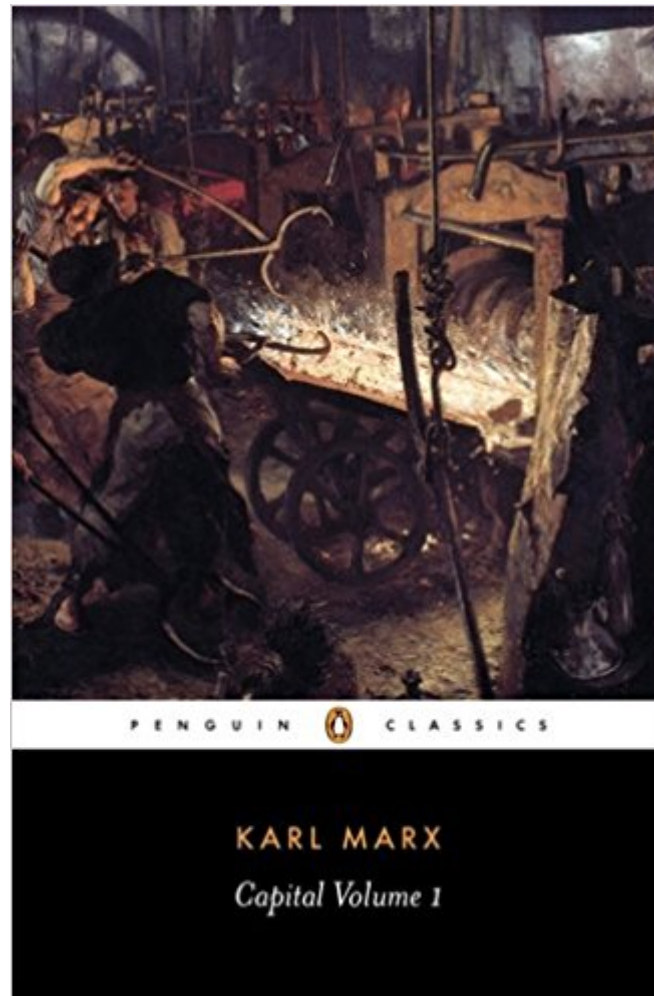


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The first volume of a political treatise that changed the world One of the most notorious works of modern times, as well as one of the most influential, *Capital* is an incisive critique of private property and the social relations it generates. Living in exile in England, where this work was largely written, Marx drew on a wide-ranging knowledge of its society to support his analysis and create fresh insights. Arguing that capitalism would cause an ever-increasing division in wealth and welfare, he predicted its abolition and replacement by a system with common ownership of the means of production. *Capital* rapidly acquired readership among the leaders of social democratic parties, particularly in Russia in Germany, and ultimately throughout the world, to become a work described by Marx friend and collaborator Friedrich Engels as “the Bible of the working class.” For more than seventy years, Penguin has been the leading publisher of classic literature in the English-speaking world. With more than 1,700 titles, Penguin Classics represents a global bookshelf of the best works throughout history and across genres and disciplines. Readers trust the series to provide authoritative texts enhanced by introductions and notes by distinguished scholars and contemporary authors, as well as up-to-date translations by award-winning translators.

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Capital, one of Marx's major and most influential works, was the product of thirty years close study of the capitalist mode of production in England, the most advanced industrial society of his day. This new translation of Volume One, the only volume to be completed and edited by Marx himself, avoids some of the mistakes that have marred earlier versions and seeks to do justice to the literary qualities of the work. The introduction is by Ernest Mandel, author of Late Capitalism, one of the only comprehensive attempts to develop the theoretical legacy of Capital. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

very disappointed in the quality of the publishing. many missing print due to faulty press type.

to know what other theories of the political economy existed beyond the parent to modern Capitalism (Adam Smith never envisioned corporate capitalism, but only mom-and-pop style entrepreneurial capitalism, He actually spoke out publicly against early joint stock corporations as being dangerous to his idea of removing masses of the workers from "immiseration" -- a hundred years later Marx points out the "immiseration" the workers suffer at least partially due to the system that Smith was leery of.) Fascinating.

Kindle version was cheap and easy to access on my tablet. Super fast flipping to footnotes and back was a plus. However, the lack of original pages numbers from the penguin text makes it really difficult to do discussion groups with people who have the original book. So from a practical standpoint, I should have gotten a used paperback.

first off the mark - no one ever catches him - if the world had only listened - imagine if he had a computer - one has to know a little about the period - about Engels and unions - AND ABOUT THE FORCES USED TO DEFEAT THEM - THE POLICE, THE ARMIES - the ultimate defeat in WWI where Picatty picks the story up to show the growth of inequality and leads us to a new triumph of money over labor and the ultimate demise of humans in an over-heated despotic planet! Marx had the analysis right - workers just hadn't the sense to follow -they went to their death in the trenches instead! And we now follow to a slower, hotter death!

Im waiting for the next one

Great edition, except for the paperbackness

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