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The book is great... however, there is a missing chapter. When you get to chapter 25 the readings
are not what is stated in the contents at the beginning of the book. This book is Volume 2 of a two book series. The readings go in chronological order. When you get to reading #169 (in chapter 25) Martin Luther King Jr., Letter from a Birmingham Jail the next reading is from reading #83 Hinton R. Helper (1857) instead of #170 The Sharon Statement (1960). This is messed up for the eight readings (170-177). These readings should have been in Volume 1, since this book starts at the year 1865 and goes to the year 2011. Pretty disappointing, since I needed a few of these readings for a research paper.

This was required reading for my American History class at college, but I have to say it was an easy to follow supplement to "Give Me Liberty!" by same author. I love to read but juggling two books for reading assignments for class has been a little tricky if you have to refer to this and Give Me Liberty! All in all, a very honest look at American History.

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Foner has the tendency to stray away from the topic, otherwise very interesting and informative.

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