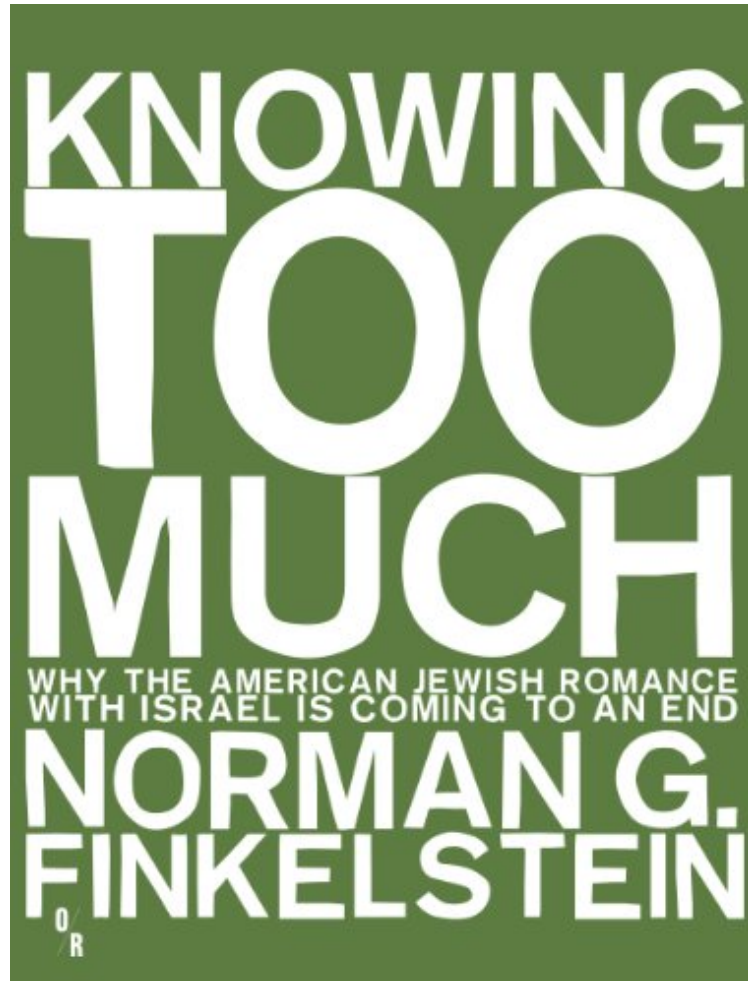


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**Von Norman Finkelstein : Knowing Too Much (English Edition)** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Knowing Too Much (English Edition):

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Exzellente Von Ferri. Der Name dieses Buches hat mich zuerst verwundert. Wie ist es denn möglich bei dem Thema Palästina zu viel zu wissen? Natürlich bezieht er sich auf das Wissen der neuen Generation von liberalen Juden in Amerika, die laut Finkelstein nicht mehr bereit sind sich mit den illegalen Taten des Staates Israel identifizieren zu lassen. Es waren zwischenzeitlich so viele Fakten über Einverleibung, Degradierung, Folter, Mord und dergleichen mehr publiziert, dass man sie nicht mehr ausweichen konnte. Ich persönlich bin dreifach Nutznießer dieses Buches, das exzellent recherchiert und geschrieben ist, indem es mir die Möglichkeit bietet: - Zu bemerken wie eine wissenschaftliche Arbeit wirklich ohne Abstriche einen geraden Weg verfolgen kann. - Einen greifbaren Überblick über die relevanten internationalen Gesetzgebung und die UN-Konventionen zu bekommen. - Fakt und Propaganda durch Vergleich auseinander zu

halten. Gerade dieser letzte Punkt macht dieses Buch so wertvoll. Es wäre für mich unmöglich gewesen (für Sie wahrscheinlich auch) die Unmengen an Daten und Dokumente, die Finkelstein miteinander verglichen hat, überhaupt ausfindig zu machen geschweige denn zu lesen und kritisch zu bewerten. Unter anderem ist hier die Entscheidung des "International Court of Justice" (ICJ) in Den Haag zuerst erklärt und dann verglichen worden mit den Entscheidungen des israelischen "High Court". Starke Nerven sind allerdings von Vorteil bei der Lektüre, da man oft mit entnervenden Aussagen der Politiker, die einem über mehreren Jahrzehnten aufgefischt worden sind, konfrontiert wird. Aussagen, die man damals vielleicht für bare Münze oder wenigstens für "gut gemeint" gehalten hatte. Depiert sein ist nicht der schmerzende Punkt; sondern das Wissen, dass es während und seit dieser Zeit tausende von Toten gegeben hat. Dieses, wie andere Werke des Norman G. Finkelstein, ist eine absolute Empfehlung. Bezugsquelle, solange AMAZON es nicht vertreibt: [orbooks.com](http://orbooks.com)

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