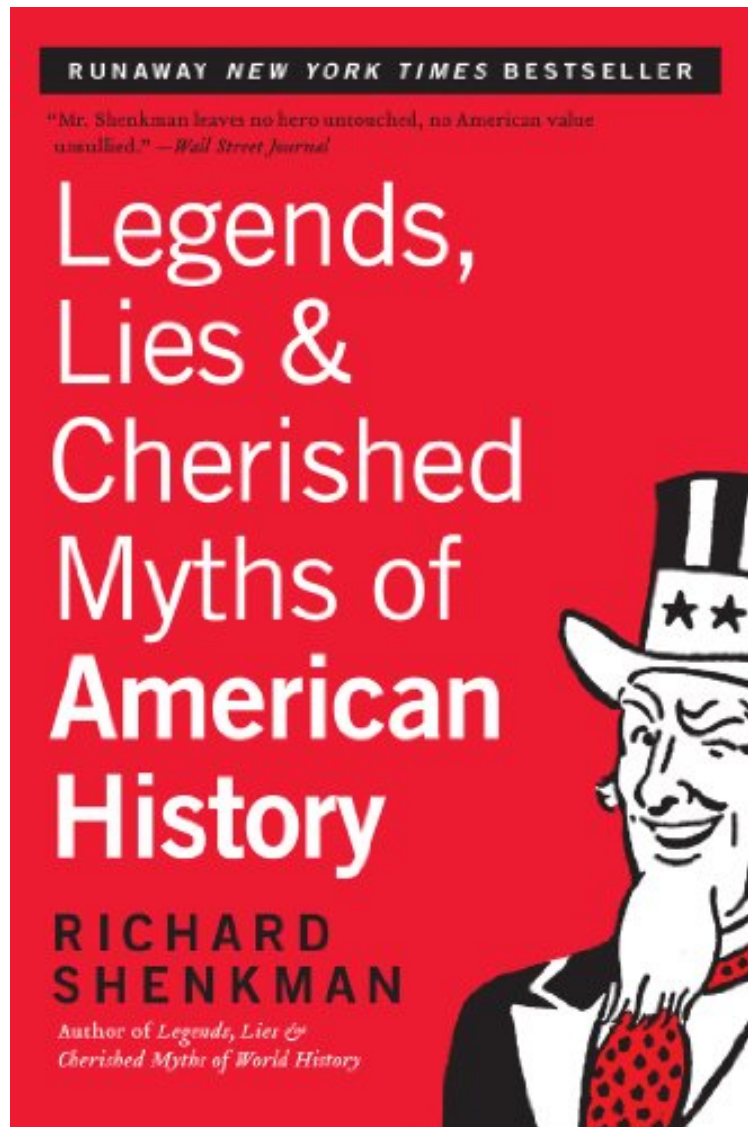


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statements and the chapters are divided into subjects as, Discoverers and Inventors, Presidents, Sex, and Art. There is a fair set of footnotes to lead you to further reading. You may need this as he sometimes stretches a point. Final analysis, you are better off reading this to give a better perspective on reality. Read it to your kids and save them a lifetime of "Legends, Lies Cherished Myths of American History". 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Disappointing Von Ein Kunde The premise is good, but the book simply moves from topic to topic too quickly. The author seems to delight in pointing out these untrue myths and legends, and he is able to document these claims via footnotes and bibliography, but there is no in depth discussion of these myths. Instead the book is full of disjointed sentences which form very short chapters and then your on to the next topic. For a more scholarly approach to the same topic, try "Lies My Teacher Told Me : Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong" by James Loewen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Short chapters, yes, but a fun read just the same Von Ein Kunde I agree with the reader from Atlanta. This book really IS superficial in a lot of ways, but I am not sure it was the author's intent to make this an in depth academic study in the first place. The contents certainly deliver on the title's promise. I used this book as a reader in a Japanese university English class precisely because it wasn't so daunting or detailed. The students loved it. One of them transferred elsewhere and went on to get an advanced degree in American history! I think Mr. Shenkman can take some credit for that.

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