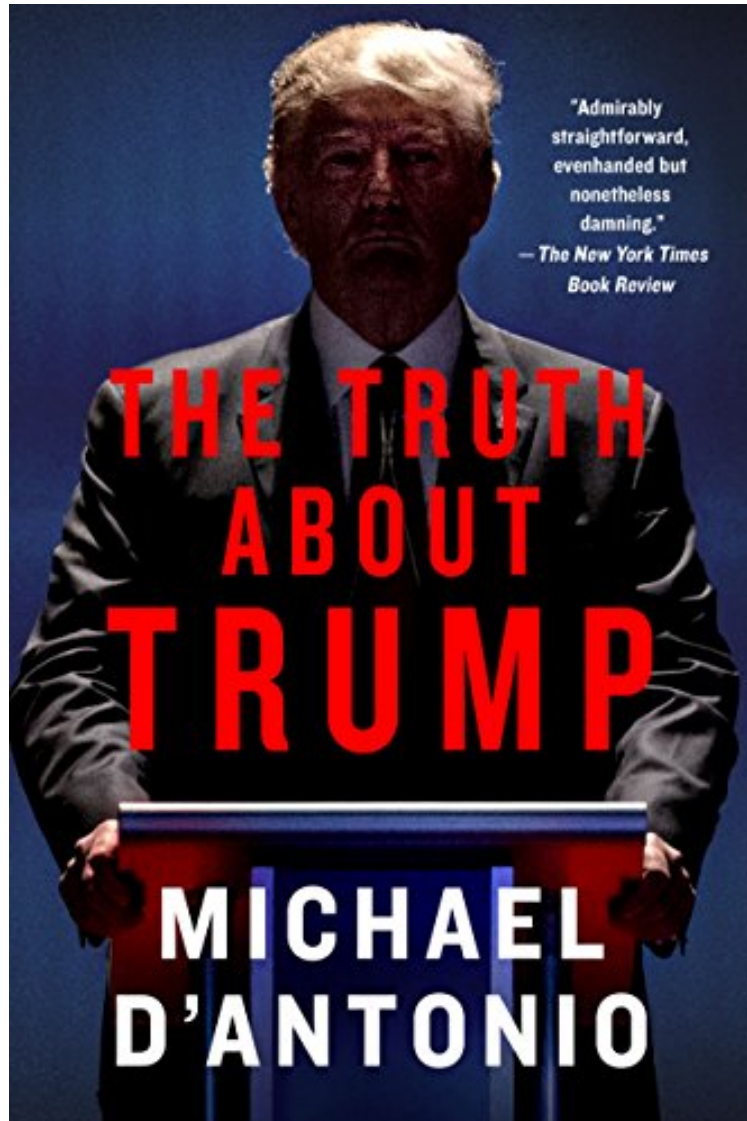


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**Michael D'Antonio : The Truth About Trump** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Truth About Trump:

41 of 42 people found the following review helpful. A Decent but not Spectacular Biography By Yoda Before the 2016 elections in the US, this reviewer paid little attention to this candidate (or to any aspects of Mr. Trump's life before that for that matter). After all, just about all the major polling and news organizations called the election for Ms. Clinton by a wide margin (albeit that margin varied quite a bit ndash; the NY Times for month before the election believed that she had an 85% chance of winning while the more prosaic Gallop had the odds at a little less than 60%). Yet he won. Hence this reader felt the need to catch up and find out who this man is. What better way than reading a

serious book by the Pulitzer Prize winning biographer Michael Dr'squo;Antonio. This book, in short, does a pretty good but not spectacular job at providing a biography of the man (3.5-4 stars as opposed to 5). The book starts off with this grandfather's immigration to America and his entrepreneurial adventures. Then it moves on to his father and his business ventures. He made his name and fortune in the NY real estate business, specifically catering to middle class renters in Queens. He taught his son all he knew about the real estate business. In addition, he seems to have instilled a killer "always be a winner no matter what" instinct into his son. Mr. Dr'squo;Antonio follows the son's life from his childhood days and his schooling at the brutal military school where he was educated it (and the author does show how the word brutal was no exaggeration). This seems to have played a very important role in giving him the personality he has today (i.e., savage, no rules barred, winner takes all attitude, always pushing the boundaries to get what he wants, etc.). The author, however, does not interview too many of his instructors and fellow classmates (or if he did, does not do mention the results in too much detail). That is one of the big problems of this book. This is very much the opposite of David Remick's "The Bridge: The Life and Rise of Barack Obamardquo;. In that book Mr. Remick did a meticulous job at interviewing (and presenting to his readers the results of those interviews) a very large number of people who knew Mr. Obama personally in an attempt to figure out who Obama "the man" was (ironically that author fails at that task just like Mr. Dr'squo;Antonio does - more on that below). Mr. Dr'squo;Antonio should have done a far better job at interviewing more people who knew Mr. Trump personally and presenting those interviews to the reader with the goal of using their knowledge of Mr. Trump to help the reader figure out who Mr. Trump "the man" is. The book then follows Trump through the rest of his life until his run for the White House. The reader learns of many of Mr. Trump's personality quirks and traits (i.e., always attacks those that criticize him, a distorted sense of truth, boundless narcissism, loyalty to those who were loyal to him [a characteristic in Trump's early life that Mr. Dr'squo;Antonio does not look at in Trump's later life], etc.). Although the identification of these traits gives us an important picture of his personality the reader is still not presented with a picture of who Mr. Trump "the man" really is. With respect to an overview of who "the man" is Mr. Dr'squo;Antonio, like so many, is simply stumped. He even admits as much. On p.335 of the paperback he writes "Anyone who tried to grasp the "real" Trump was likely to fail. As the hellip;. Gossip columnist Liz Smith tells me, "I have known him forever, and can't figure him out". Even his first two wives expressed this exact same view to Mr. Antonio. In short, a book that provides us a decent picture of many aspects of Mr. Trump's personality but that is unable to get at the heart of who the subject really is. Perhaps Mr. Trump himself does not even know himself. Considering Mr. Trump's disdain for education, learning and self-reflection is it really a surprise that he has utterly ignored Socrates' very important maxim "know thyself"? Could it be, as Mr. Antonio concludes in the final page of the book, that in this age of Facebook, Twitter and other forms of narcissism run amuck, that Mr. Trump has only reflected society albeit in an excessive and "first adapter" manner? Could this be the core reason for his success? Addendum: for those interested in an investigative reporter's perspective on Mr. Trump this reviewer recommends David Kay Johnson's "The Making of Donald Trump". Being an investigative reporter Mr. Johnson does not attempt to analyze Mr. Trump's personality or character but instead looks at him from viewpoint, in Fitzgerald's words, "action is character". A good compliment for to this book. This reviewer has also written a review of that book for interested in that book as well. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Very informative By Pamela Should have been a "must read" before the election. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By J. LEA Well written. Interesting read even for someone not that interested in Trump and/or politics

Who is the man shaking up the GOP? What does he really stand for? How far will he go in his pursuit of power? This is THE TRUTH ABOUT TRUMP He is one of the world's most successful businessmen - and a man who many Americans love to hate. So how did Donald Trump become a serious contender in the race for the country's highest office? His critics think his run for president is a marketing campaign for the Trump brand. His supporters believe that he can make America great again. The only thing both sides can agree on is that Trump is a man whose appetite for wealth, attention, power, and conquest is insatiable. In this up-close-and-personal biography, author Michael Dr'squo;Antonio draws upon extensive and exclusive interviews with Trump himself to present the full story behind this American icon - from his early life to the headlines of today. "Carefully reported and fair-minded." - USA Today "A brisk and entertaining read." - The Washington Post Previously published in hardcover as Never Enough.

"Never Enough is an admirably straightshy;forward, evenhanded but nonetheless damning account of Trump's life." - The New York Times Book "A brisk and entertaining read, drawing on interviews and documents and distilling decades' worth of news coverage to tell the story of Trump's childhood, family, business deals and political forays." - The Washington Post "A carefully reported and fair-minded account. hellip; [Dr'squo;Antonio] has pulled together Trump's story, subjected it to some fact-checking and dissected a string of business deals that display his drive to win, his thirst for money, his willingness to push boundaries and his

apparently endless quest for publicity." ?USA Today"Delightful." ?London of Books"Balanced, well-sourced and perfectly timed." ?The Financial TimesAbout the AuthorAs part of a team of journalists from Newsday, Michael Drsq;Antonio won the Pulitzer Prize for his reporting before going on to write many acclaimed books, including Mortal Sins. He has also written for publications such as Esquire, Sports Illustrated, and The New York Times Magazine.