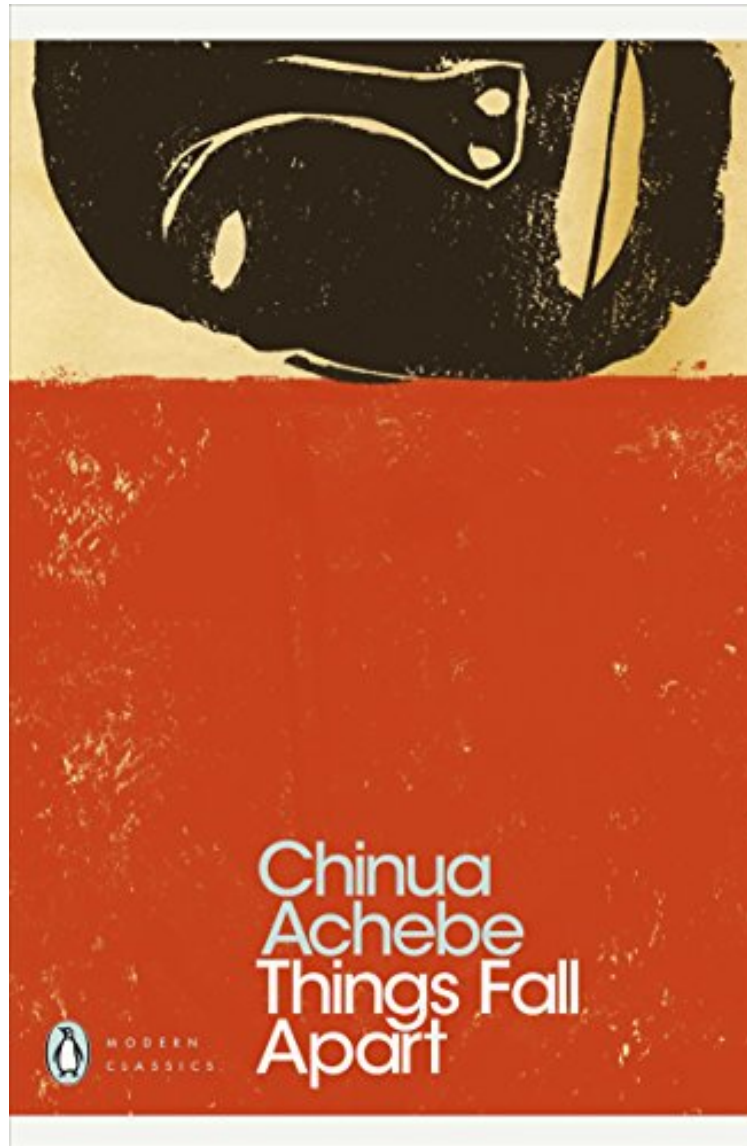


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Interpretationen.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Das alte Afrika im WandelVon Ein KundeEin schlicht, aber sehr schn und eindringlich geschriebenes Werk, das einem eine Innenansicht auf das "Stammesleben", das Leben in den Klans Nigerias bietet. Anders als aus europischer Sicht erfährt der Leser viel über die ursprünglichen Traditionen und die Religion dieser Afrikaner und lernt zu verstehen, welche eine Erschütterung die Eroberung des Kontinents durch den weißen Mann darstellte. Identifikationsfigur ist Okonkwo, ein junger Mann, der sich trotz nicht sehr vorteilhafter Startbedingungen einen Platz in der Dorfgemeinschaft erwirbt. Man begleitet ihn und seine Familie in ihrem Alltagsleben und verfolgt ihre Schicksale. Dabei erfährt man vieles über Familienstrukturen, Gottheiten, Kämpfe, Titel, Entscheidungsfindung, Essen, etc. überzeugend dargestellt wird, wie Okonkwo an der neuen christlichen Religion und ihren Vertretern scheitert, weil er ihnen nicht mit seinen traditionellen "Waffen" begegnen kann.4 von 4 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Tragic, mystic, melancholicVon Jürgen PichlerThis novel was my first contact with Black African Literature. It is an amazing book which shows the sorrow and troubles of African life. The contrast of tradition and novelty is the main theme, and we get a good insight view of the way life goes in (Western) Africa. The rituals and traditions before the Europeans came are very interesting as I (being Austrian) did not know the culture very well (I still don't but it gave me a first impression). The language is beautiful and the tone is quite melancholic which even enforces the feeling of losing old values and submitting to a so-called "higher" culture which does not allow any contradiction. Okonko is the "hero" in the novel who rules the village with an iron hand. He is a man who believes in tradition which also includes all kind of prejudices as well. He is not an explicitly likeable character as some of his decisions are very cruel. Then he gets alienated from his tribe and Africa itself while being away as a punishment. When he returns he finds that his people do no longer inhibit power in the village but that the Europeans have taken over. The tragedy at the end of the novel described by Achebe is overwhelming and shocking. After I had finished the book I felt a kind of emptiness inside me. I can only recommend this book.

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