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## **Tyler Niemeier says**

I really enjoyed reading this book. as I was reading it I found it boring because it is so old. Still being outdated, this book gave me a great understanding of this world wide religion. I did not get to finish this book but I did read enough to learn its origins and how our world changed with this new way of life.

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## **Nelly says**

a helpful introduction to Buddhism

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## **Chant Cowen says**

I bought this book very cheap in Tokyo fairly recently and I was curious to see what an introduction book to Buddhism from the first half of the 20th century looked like.

Well, I got my answer and it was in my opinion disappointing. For me, I've been studying Buddhism academically for 5 or so years, so I have a fair grounding on the subject of Buddhism and in particular Mahayana Buddhism.

The book itself, I think, would have been a great introduction to undergrads or lay people alike when it came out and for a least a decade after it's publication, however that just isn't the case today. The book is obviously outdated, as "facts" in the book have either been modified over the years of this publication, which I assume is from the decades of scholarship after this book and the vocabulary is very much dated, again, that's because of the age of this book.

The book isn't bad, it's just outdated and that happens to introduction books on religion (philosophy if you categorize Buddhism as one, which is another of discussion all together).

I only recommend this book to people that have an interest in seeing what Buddhism books from the good ol' days looked like, rather than having a proper introduction, as there are plenty of great introduction books on Buddhism, Donald Lopez comes to mind for great introduction books.

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## **Gary says**

It has lots of interesting things in it, even if it is a bit dated.

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## **Robert Day says**

The first real book I read on Buddhism, and boy did it leave a mark. This book contains everything I needed to know to start a lifelong journey. Detailed, deep and comprehensive.

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**Vn says**

Read it a long time ago. But this re-read has shown how I have matured and how timeless the book remains.

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