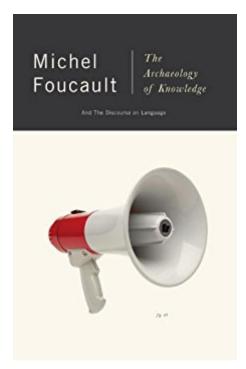


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Madness, sexuality, power, knowledge \tilde{A} ¢ $\hat{a} - \hat{a}$ •are these facts of life or simply parts of speech? In a series of works of astonishing brilliance, historian Michel Foucault excavated the hidden assumptions that govern the way we live and the way we think. The Archaeology of Knowledge begins at the level of "things aid" and moves quickly to illuminate the connections between knowledge, language, and action in a style at once profound and personal. A summing up of Foucault's own methadological assumptions, this book is also a first step toward a genealogy of the way we live now. Challenging, at times infuriating, it is an absolutey indispensable guide to one of hte most innovative thinkers of our time.

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Foucault's Archeology of Knowledge builds the foundation of Foucault's work. Not an easy read but in my opinion essential in understanding the broader purpose of Foucault's earlier and later works. The work itself stands alone as an original approach to flushing out Truth and power relations. It draws heavily on others work (Nietzsche) but still is very unique (hence a lot of critics/scholars difficulty in attempts at categorizing Foucault).

This volume is a great introduction to Foucoult's thought. As other reviewers have said, he takes ideas he broached in his earlier works and further develops them here. That said, this is not light reading. If you want just a quick distillation of Foucoult's ideas, you would do better looking elsewhere. Foucoult wants to make you think and think deeply about this whole concept called knowledge. In that he succeeds. The down side is that he has so many ideas in his head, he does not always connect the dots. You, the reader, will at times have to do that but Foucoult has given you enough substance that you can, if you are versed in the subject matter at all, do that well. The version I read was the Kindle version. Technically, that worked perfectly. I was able to easily highlight and take notes from the Kindle app on my iPad. My bottom line, if you want some serious reading that will force you to think, try this book. The Kindle version is, for me, a great choice.

A book for the "really"smart that shows some of the mind of the incredibly smart Foucault.

wonderful service received from .foucault's logic is a bit like a spider web with facts spaced at intercises , thus relating every representation to forward desired truths and ambiguities.

Awesome edition, tho, not the one shown in the posting. Good timing on shipping.

This is a must-read book for the reader who wants to understand the thought of Foucault.

good read!

My sympathies to anyone who has to read this. This was something I had attempted to read on recommendation of a professor. Later on in my graduate studies I had to read it. It is a required reading for anyone studying rhetoric. If you can get through it, you are destined for greatness. It is reading that requires intense concentration and no interruptions!

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