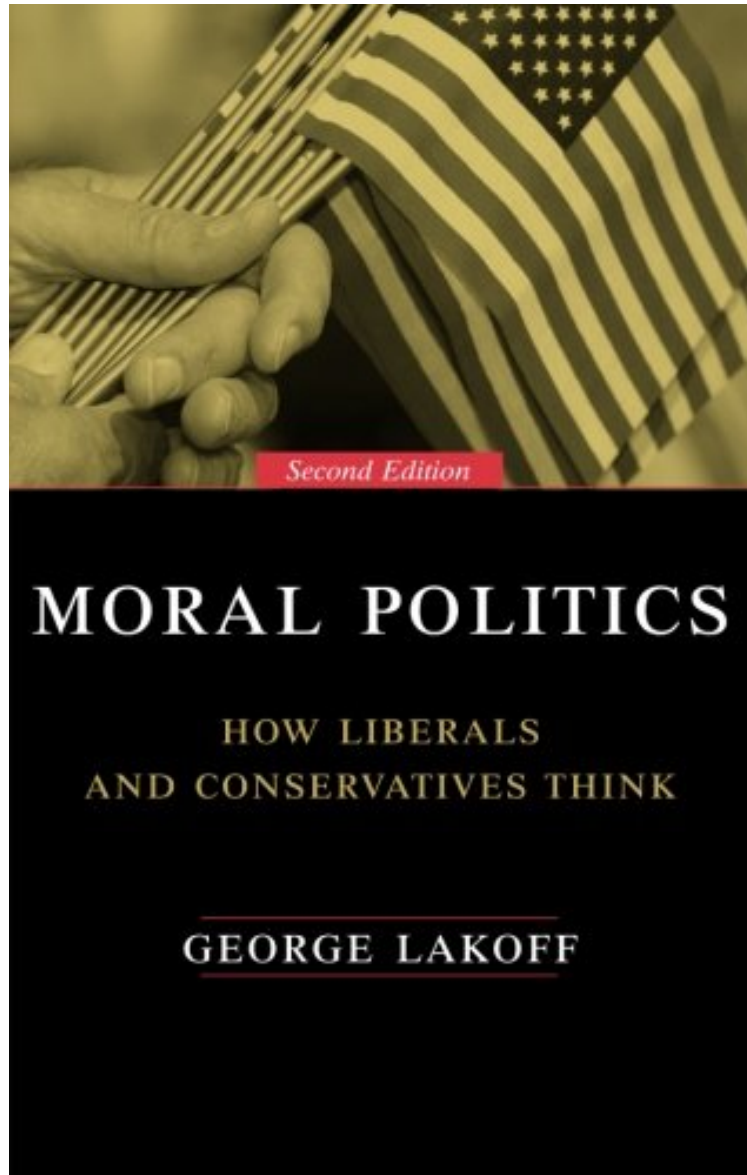


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George Lakoff : Moral Politics : How Liberals and Conservatives Think before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Moral Politics : How Liberals and Conservatives Think:

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. peel back the covers of our political realityBy John Reed Schrichtel consider this book on par with Newton's Principia Mathematica: insight into the unseen forces that causes worlds to move in the way they do. It's just not worth discussing politics with anyone who has not understood the fundamental

dynamics, like arguing with someone who thinks angels cause apples to fall off trees. I hope readers are not scared off by the book's size, as it can be reduced to digestible chunks of reading. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Illuminating analysis of an important topic, but dense reading at times. By Peter M. The persistent failure of conservatives and liberals in our government leadership to find common ground and compromise is a vital issue of our time. Lakoff's analysis explains why neither side can understand the other, and thus, why they cannot see any virtue in the others' positions or find common ground on many policies that demand a resolution. I am not sure I buy into Lakoff's analysis on all points, but he argues persuasively for the core ideas he proposes. Whether you are a conservative or a liberal, Lakoff will explain why some positions of the other side make sense to them even though a mystery to you. Maybe these insights provides a basis for understanding and communication that are a starting point to getting something done in Washington, and a starting point for more civil discussion with your friends who are of the opposite political persuasion. But be patient. Lakoff is irritatingly repetative, apparently in a misguided effort to be clear and precise. It will take time and effort to wade through the book. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Writing is easy to read, ideas are very thought-provoking. By Juliette Carr This book is SO fascinating. Really eye-opening viewpoint on liberal and conservative politics - I'm usually a very fast reader, but this has been slow because I constantly stop to think more deeply about what he's saying, comparing it to my own experiences and "trying the ideas on for size." Particularly enlightening in current times. Lakoff is also a really accessible writer; the writing is clear and easy to digest.

In this classic text, the first full-scale application of cognitive science to politics, George Lakoff analyzes the unconscious and rhetorical worldviews of liberals and conservatives, discovering radically different but remarkably consistent conceptions of morality on both the left and right. For this new edition, Lakoff adds a preface and an afterword extending his observations to major ideological conflicts since the book's original publication, from the impeachment of Bill Clinton to the 2000 presidential election and its aftermath.

"[An] unusual mix of judicious scholarship, tendentious journalism and inflammatory wake-up call." - Editors' Recommendation, San Francisco Chronicle; "Lakoff, the cognitive linguist, understands 'how' you understand. In Moral Politics, [he] deftly applies that seemingly arcane understanding to the heart of American politics.... His commitment is strong and deep, but his language is far from the rhetoric usually associated with political partisanship.... Even those who disagree with him will profit deeply from encountering his challenging ideas." - Paul Rosenberg, Christian Science Monitor; "Lakoff's stunning book opens a whole new understanding of public discourse in America. Both conservatives and liberals have much to learn from this work." - Robert Bellah, University of California, Berkeley From the Inside Flap In Moral Politics, the first full-scale application of cognitive science to politics, George Lakoff analyzes the unconscious worldviews of liberals and conservatives, explaining why they are at odds over so many seemingly unrelated issues-like taxes, abortion, regulation, and social programs. The differences, Lakoff argues, are not mere matters of partisanship, but arise from radically different conceptions of morality and ideal family life-meaning that family and morality are at the heart of American politics, in ways that are far from obvious. For this edition, Lakoff adds a preface and an afterword explaining how "moral politics" makes sense of events like the impeachment of Bill Clinton and the 2000 presidential election.