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This title aims to offer a journey into the interior of language. The author reveals the patriarchal construction of language and religious imagery, offering alternatives.

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### **Janet Dianne says**

I read this book many years ago when I was studying at university. Fifty Shades of Grey, it ain't. I remember this being a challenging read, but interesting. Might be worth a revisit in the current climate.

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### **Alexandra Michaelides says**

Honestly, I could not read this book in entirety, and only skimmed for purposes of my research. I did enjoy some of her points, especially the ones about female tonkenism. But, too often her language-play makes the writing hard to follow.

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### **Vashti says**

Remarkable book.

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### **Rambling Reader says**

Awesome!

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### **Roy says**

If you haven't read Mary Daly it's hard to explain her to you. This IS "elemental feminist philosophy" and you'd best take heed. Women are not here for anybody's convenience. She names Patriarchy for what it is--Control, Conquest, and Exploitation of goods, habitats, and people. It is "the life-hating lechery that rapes and kills the objects of its obsession/aggression."

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### **Quathia says**

Wow, that was hard work. Not a light bed-time read - her way of changing language to create new meanings can be confusing. At first I was put off by that - reminded me too much of inspiring facebook posts about emotion and ill-illusion - but her playing with language is actually admirable. She has a remarkable way with words.

Still, I wouldn't put that as the main point of her book, as the description at the top seems to do. This is a book about Elemental Feminist Philosophy, indeed. It's very eighties, and sometimes goes way over the top, but sometimes that's needed to make you see reality as it is - I know I realized some points about society that

I'd never before considered. It's philosophical - it could have done with a few more examples and less theoretical speak for me; I do feel I missed a lot because it was all getting too abstract to follow without putting more effort into it than I was willing to. It's definitely a book that could do with a second read. Still, I think that this is a book worth reading for everyone, just to see 'civilization' from a very different point of view. This is a man's world, created by men for men, and the great achievement of the past century is that 'liberated' women get to play at being men too.

Someone actually smiled at me on the tube while I was reading this book - deeply unsettling for a Londoner! As I smiled back as I got off she asked "How's the book?" I said "Hard work, but very fascinating," and I stand by that. Take your time, read it, think.

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