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Over the past decade, Korean popular culture has become a global phenomenon. The "Korean Wave" of music, film, television, sports, and cuisine generates significant revenues and cultural pride in South Korea. "The Korean Popular Culture Reader" provides a timely and essential foundation for the study of "K-pop," relating the contemporary cultural landscape to its historical roots. The eighteen essays in this collection reveal the intimate connections of Korean popular culture, or "hallyu," to the peninsula's colonial and postcolonial histories, to the nationalist projects of the military dictatorship and the neoliberalism of twenty-first-century South Korea. Combining translations of seminal essays by Korean scholars on topics ranging from sports to colonial-era serial fiction with new work by scholars based in fields including literary studies, film and media studies, ethnomusicology, and art history, this collection expertly navigates the social and political dynamics that have shaped Korean cultural production over the past century. "Contributors." Jung-hwan Cheon, Michelle Cho, Youngmin Choe, Steven Chung, Katarzyna J. Cwierka, Stephen Epstein, Olga Fedorenko, Kelly Y. Jeong, Rachael Miyung Joo, Inkyu Kang, Kyu Hyun Kim, Kyung Hyun Kim, Pil Ho Kim, Boduerae Kwon, Regina Yung Lee, Sohl Lee, Jessica Likens, Roald Maliangkay, Youngju Ryu, Hyunjoon Shin, Min-Jung Son, James Turnbull, Travis Workman

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#2 THIS IS A GREAT BOOK even if you don't like books... unless you hate kpop, or small text

#3 I am looking forward to finishing this book

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#5 Thank you Kyung Hyun Kim and Youngmin Choe for writing this book

#6 It shows people that there is more to Korea than just Kpop.

Kamsahamnida!!!!

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I'm quite looking forward to receiving this. My thanks to Kyung Hyun Kim and the FirstReads program.

Glad to have won this - I enjoyed the different aspects of Korean culture - I have always been intrigued by k-pop, but I didn't really think about everything else when I entered the contest. Found myself flipping through different chapters - it was less of a linear read and "what do I feel like reading today.

Great for a by the bed book - which was where I wound up reading.
