



Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture

By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

[Download now](#)

[Read Online](#) 

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

Anthropology has a long history of the "other," yet we can look right here at home for the strangeness we seek. We often neglect to ask the questions that reveal our own culture's underlying value and beliefs. In this volume, we bring the American culture into focus. For students to understand the full impact of ethnography, to experience cultural relativity and to gain a foundation to build informed comparisons, students need a firm grasp of their own culture--and need to use this volume. The Third Edition consists of 19 essays written by anthropologists and other scholars using an ethnographic perspective. The essays enable students to understand themselves better by focusing on their own culture and seeing it from a new perspective. This collection gives anthropology a comparative perspective that provides a reflective lens, a mirror, for understanding ourselves and the world in which we live.

 [Download Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture ...pdf](#)

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture

By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

Anthropology has a long history of the "other," yet we can look right here at home for the strangeness we seek. We often neglect to ask the questions that reveal our own culture's underlying value and beliefs. In this volume, we bring the American culture into focus. For students to understand the full impact of ethnography, to experience cultural relativity and to gain a foundation to build informed comparisons, students need a firm grasp of their own culture--and need to use this volume. The Third Edition consists of 19 essays written by anthropologists and other scholars using an ethnographic perspective. The essays enable students to understand themselves better by focusing on their own culture and seeing it from a new perspective. This collection gives anthropology a comparative perspective that provides a reflective lens, a mirror, for understanding ourselves and the world in which we live.

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #537246 in Books
- Brand: Brand: Cengage Learning
- Published on: 2001-06-12
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 9.00" h x 6.00" w x .50" l, .72 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 216 pages

 [Download Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong

Editorial Review

Review

1. One Hundred Percent American, by Ralph Linton. 2. The American Cultural Configuration, by Lowell D. Holmes and Ellen Rhoads Holmes. 3. Body Ritual Among the Nacirema, by Horace Miner. 4. Professor Widjojo Goes to a Koktel Parti, by Weston LaBarre. 5. An Outsider's View of American Culture, by Janusz L. Mucha. 6. Growing Up American: Doing the Right Thing, by Amparo Ojeda. 7. My American Glasses, by Francisco Martins Ramos. 8. American Graffiti: Curious Derivatives of Individualism, by Jin Kim. 9. The Young, the Rich, and the Famous: Individualism as an American Cultural Value, by Poranee Natadecha-Sponsel. 10. America and I, by Herve Varenne. 11. Encounters with the Elderly in America, by Yohko Tsuji. 12. Neighborly Strangers, by Honggang Yang. 13. Pais de Mis Suenos: Reflections on Ethnic Labels, Dichotomies, and Ritual Interaction, by Gisela Ernst. 14. Giving, Withholding, and Meeting Midway: A Poet's Ethnography, by Saleem Peerandina. 15. A Russian Teacher in America, by Andre Toom. 16. First Impressions: Diary of a French Anthropologist in New York City, by Francoise Dussart. 17. Life and Cultures: The Test of Real Participant Observation, by E. L. Cerroni-Long. 18. Learning to Hug: An English Anthropologist's Experiences in North America, by Geoffrey Hunt. 19. A European Anthropologist's Personal and Ethnographic Impressions of the United States, by Emanuel J. Drechsel.

About the Author

Philip R. DeVita received his Ph.D. from the University of California, Davis, and is Professor of Anthropology at the State University of New York, Plattsburgh. Professor DeVita's teaching and research interests include cultural, economic, linguistic, and psychological anthropology, as well as peoples of the Pacific and cultures of the Canadian Maritimes. Professor DeVita has edited numerous books and anthologies, including **THE NAKED ANTHROPOLOGIST: TALES FROM AROUND THE WORLD, AND THE HUMBLED ANTHROPOLOGIST: TALES FROM THE PACIFIC**, both published by Wadsworth.

James D. Armstrong is Professor of Anthropology at the State University of New York, Plattsburgh, where he teaches courses on Israeli culture, sexuality, methods, and global problems. He has done extensive fieldwork on identity and social organization in modern-day Israel, and published articles on mainstream Israeli culture, extensionist semantics, and engaged pedagogy.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Matthew Segal:

Why don't make it to become your habit? Right now, try to ready your time to do the important action, like looking for your favorite publication and reading a guide. Beside you can solve your short lived problem; you can add your knowledge by the reserve entitled *Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture*. Try to the actual book *Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture* as your pal. It means that it can to get your friend when you feel alone and beside associated with course make you smarter than ever before. Yeah, it is very fortuned for you personally. The book makes you considerably more confidence because you can know almost everything by the book. So , let me make new experience and also knowledge with this book.

David Hyman:

Do you really one of the book lovers? If yes, do you ever feeling doubt if you find yourself in the book store? Attempt to pick one book that you find out the inside because don't assess book by its cover may doesn't work this is difficult job because you are scared that the inside maybe not as fantastic as in the outside look likes. Maybe you answer might be Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture why because the fantastic cover that make you consider concerning the content will not disappoint you. The inside or content is fantastic as the outside or cover. Your reading sixth sense will directly make suggestions to pick up this book.

Lois Hernandez:

As we know that book is essential thing to add our know-how for everything. By a book we can know everything we really wish for. A book is a pair of written, printed, illustrated or maybe blank sheet. Every year ended up being exactly added. This book Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture was filled in relation to science. Spend your time to add your knowledge about your scientific research competence. Some people has different feel when they reading some sort of book. If you know how big selling point of a book, you can truly feel enjoy to read a guide. In the modern era like currently, many ways to get book that you simply wanted.

Shalon Dougherty:

Do you like reading a e-book? Confuse to looking for your chosen book? Or your book ended up being rare? Why so many issue for the book? But almost any people feel that they enjoy for reading. Some people likes studying, not only science book but novel and Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture or others sources were given information for you. After you know how the good a book, you feel need to read more and more. Science e-book was created for teacher or maybe students especially. Those books are helping them to bring their knowledge. In additional case, beside science reserve, any other book likes Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture to make your spare time far more colorful. Many types of book like here.

Download and Read Online Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong #2L49WO5I6S3

Read Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong for online ebook

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong books to read online.

Online Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong ebook PDF download

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong Doc

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong Mobipocket

Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong EPub

2L49WO5I6S3: Distant Mirrors: America as a Foreign Culture By Philip R. DeVita, James D. Armstrong