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Although George Orwell grew up in the relative comfort of the English middle class, his socialist convictions and general sense of fairness led him to hate his country's deeply ingrained class structure. That perspective permeates this book,...



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In order to hate imperialism, you have got to be part of it. George Orwell, The Road to Wigan Pier //

The fact that has got to be faced is that to abolish class-distinctions means abolishing a part of yourself. Here am I, a typical member of the middle class. It is easy for me to say that I want to get rid of class-distinctions, but nearly everything I think and do is a result of class-distinctions. All my notions notions of good and evil, of pleasant and unpleasant, of funny and serious,...

Reader's Opinions

Well, that was depressing. I heard about this book via a podcast with Jordan Peterson (who, apart from a couple things, is IMO quite a fruit loop when he gets on a tear about such philosophical questions as Truth). At any rate, I've loved Orwell as a fiction writer, but hadn't paid much attention to his...

I took the Road to Wigan Pier way too fastly. I drove by night through the 215 milestones between the beginning and the end of this trip. I have just parked for a few minutes halfway on the blank space between part I and part II. I turned off the engine and the...