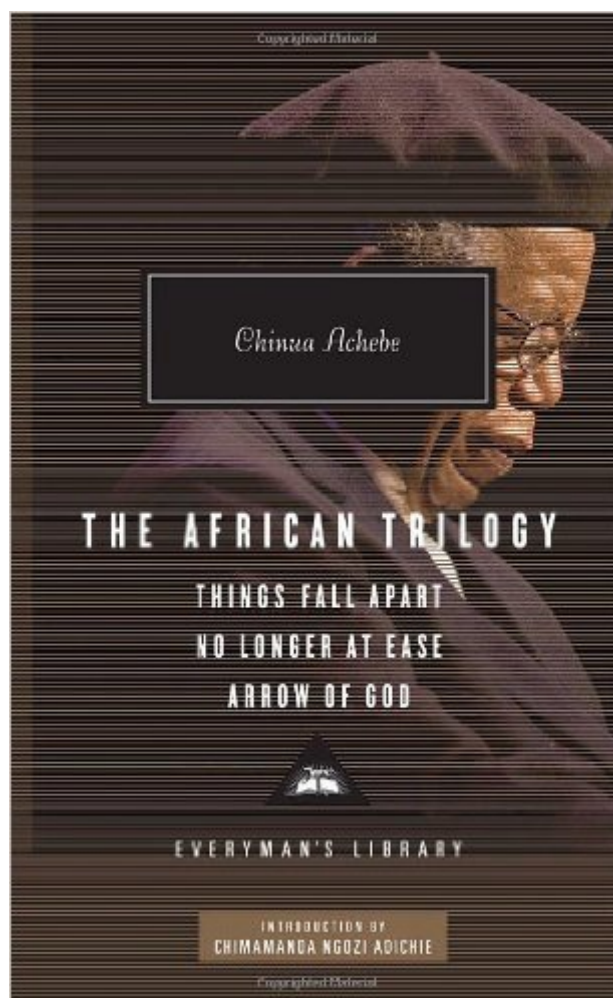


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For someone who TRULY wishes to understand the impact that European colonization had on African Traditional Cultures, this book is MUST. I first read "Things Fall Apart" about 20 years ago, and I must admit, even though I was raised in Africa, I NEVER truly understood or appreciated how DRASTIC & TRAUMATIC & DETRIMENTAL European colonization was on the continent. That was the ONE book that opened my eyes to that sad history FOR THE FIRST TIME. I am a Teacher, so I appreciate having a thorough knowledge of past events. Being knowledgeable about Africa helps me understand and empathize with the current plight of Native Americans.

I have read Things Fall Apart several times. I am of Igbo decent, but unfortunately don't speak the language and I love the idea of having a piece of Historic Literature for my daughters to enjoy.

What a thriller! Chinua Achebe has a ruthless way of dealing with his main characters. Loved this collection when I first read them years back - still loving them now. This is definitely a 'most have'.

Brilliant account of life in West Africa. But Things Fall Apart and its companions aren't just about Africa. They're about all men, in all places, at all times. About the rise and fall of every culture and the ultimate demise of each one of us. This book is about all of life.

Outstanding! Makes for a compelling read. Three of Chinua Achebe's best works. African literature at its finest. I suggest it to anyone interested in Africa literature or just want to read a thought provoking novel.

I purchased three copies of this book, two as gifts and one as my personal copy. I was deeply moved by Mr. Achebe's writing and I feel like he passed his passionate spirit on to me--through his writing. The book is a keeper in my library.

It gave a deep and insightful view of how igbo life was for the forefathers of the igboland of Nigeria. Mr Achebe has such a way with words that can paint so many pictures

Bought this as it was the only way we could get a copy of 1 particular title for high school kid's assignment within a given time frame. Turns out the kid's assignment used references from the teacher's copy (solo title) so none of the page references matched. Ended up borrowing a solo title copy from another classmate. Great Value if you need all three titles, though.

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