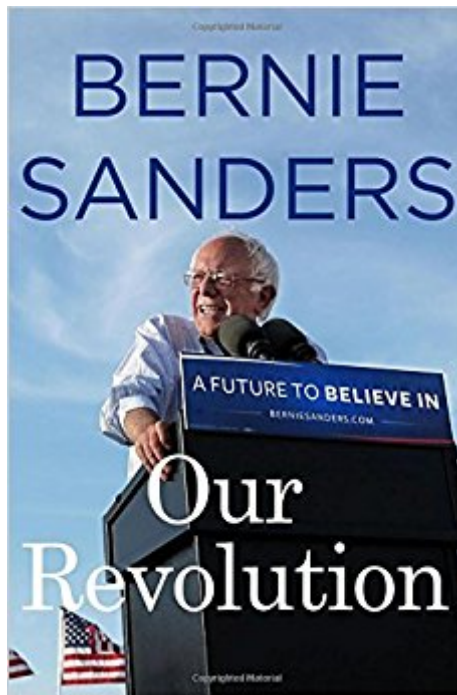




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Synopsis

The New York Times bestseller! When Bernie Sanders began his race for the presidency, it was considered by the political establishment and the media to be a “fringe” campaign, something not to be taken seriously. After all, he was just an Independent senator from a small state with little name recognition. His campaign had no money, no political organization, and it was taking on the entire Democratic Party establishment. By the time Sanders’s campaign came to a close, however, it was clear that the pundits had gotten it wrong. Bernie had run one of the most consequential campaigns in the modern history of the country. He had received more than 13 million votes in primaries and caucuses throughout the country, won twenty-two states, and more than 1.4 million people had attended his public meetings. Most important, he showed that the American people were prepared to take on the greed and irresponsibility of corporate America and the 1 percent. In *Our Revolution*, Sanders shares his personal experiences from the campaign trail, recounting the details of his historic primary fight and the people who made it possible. And for the millions looking to continue the political revolution, he outlines a progressive economic, environmental, racial, and social justice agenda that will create jobs, raise wages, protect the environment, and provide health care for all—and ultimately transform our country and our world for the better. For him, the political revolution has just started. The campaign may be over, but the struggle goes on.

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Customer Reviews

BERNIE SANDERS ran as a Democratic candidate for President of the United States in 2015 and 2016. He served as mayor of Burlington, Vermont's largest city, for eight years before defeating an incumbent Republican to be the sole congressperson for the state in the U.S. House of Representatives in 1991. He was elected to the Senate in 2007 and is now in his second term, making him the longest-serving independent in the history of the Congress. He lives in Burlington, Vermont, with his wife, Jane, and has four children and seven grandchildren.

This book gives a great insight not only into the life and campaign of Bernie Sanders but also into the current political state of America. It could not be more relevant than at this time. So much of what Sanders describes points towards the importance of personal involvement in politics. Great lessons for the future, if we can heed them. In terms of the writing style, it is relaxed but very compelling. I intended just to read a little initially and come back to the rest later, but I found myself unable to stop reading. Highly recommended.

First, know that I am not political, never have been. Many years ago as a young person, I was a Republican because my parents and their parents were Republicans & came from Missouri to California via Illinois. As I became a young adult I switched to a Democrat because I began questioning the beliefs I grew up with. What's wrong with integration or blacks for that matter. Being a girl in the 60's I was totally against the double standard. How did that happen and when? Now being a senior and on social security and medicare, my husband and I live in fear of those benefits being cut or even eliminated. At 73 my husband still works full time because we can't afford for him not to. As prices rise greatly his paycheck does not. And at this point we just don't know what President Elect Trump will do, one can only hope! I voted for Bernie for President but I believe the DNC put an end to his being nominated. It seemed like all hope was lost. But today I received Bernie's new book and now I believe I understand more than ever what has happened. It's a wonderful and very informative, eye opening book that everyone of us 99% must read and come together to bring our country back to the 'People' and not leave it to the 1%. We must stand together and vote together. I wish Bernie had run as an independent and maybe he would have won. If he runs again we will certainly vote for him again. By the way, I'm only one seventh of the way through and my knowledge of politics has been increased one hundred fold. If you are unhappy with our government, don't complain, VOTE! I think I'll start watching C-SPAN!

If you are like me who was affected by the recent presidential election, then this is must read. I found it therapeutic. I have learned a great deal about how politics works and have newfound respect for Bernie Sanders. I feel my understanding of the political climate and the political world in the USA is now clearer and more in focus. This is coming from someone who was not a Bernie supporter. I am now. The writing style is to the point and easy to read. I highly recommend it. If this election woke you up and you want to start becoming more politically engaged, then this is a good first step.

This was the eleventh time I've voted for president but only the first I've ever truly voted FOR someone. I've admired Sanders for a long time but was still surprised at the remarkable success of his campaign, and dearly wish I'd been able to vote for him for president. The book is representative of the man -- straightforward, unembellished and plain spoken. The first section, about 40% of the book, is the chronological story of Sanders' life, from his childhood in Brooklyn through the 2016 campaign. We learn about the events and people that shaped Bernie's beliefs and work as an activist, mayor, representative, senator and candidate. This part of the book is very interesting, both for Sanders' own telling of his life story and the details of his campaign -- how he decided to run, speeches he gave (sometimes given in full), decisions he made and people he met. He does NOT mention primary election irregularities, a controversial topic. EJUSA, an organization of statisticians, journalists and election observers, issued a report stating the odds of the primaries being fair and accurate was 76 billion to 1. Many of Sanders supporters were upset that no one from the campaign ever made an issue of the exit poll disparities in 11 states but, even here, Sanders does not talk about that or most of the dirty tricks and smears by the Clinton campaign. If you ever heard a Sanders policy-laden speech and wished he would talk even longer, section two is for you. Here Sanders lays out his policy positions in depth. Chapters cover the oligarchy, the decline of the middle class, economic justice, healthcare, college costs, climate change, immigration, the poor and disabled, and the compromised corporate media. Each chapter is detailed and generously interspersed with graphs and pictures. The economics chapter, for instance, discusses the minimum wage, pay equity, unions, family leave, vacation and sick leave, jobs, taxes, trade, Wall Street and the Fed! And each topic is discussed in some depth. Often names are given, such as the men who orchestrated our economic collapse and bailout, and the top ten tax avoiding corporations. I learned a lot reading these chapters, and thought Sanders was particularly insightful in the chapter on media. The book is very much like the man himself -- straightforward and no nonsense. There is no gossip, no secrets revealed. There are no in depth character studies. (We'll have to wait for books

from others to get those details!) There is no rancor or ego. Dedicated to his parents, family and campaign volunteers, Our Revolution is the unvarnished tale of the good and honest man who should have been president.

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