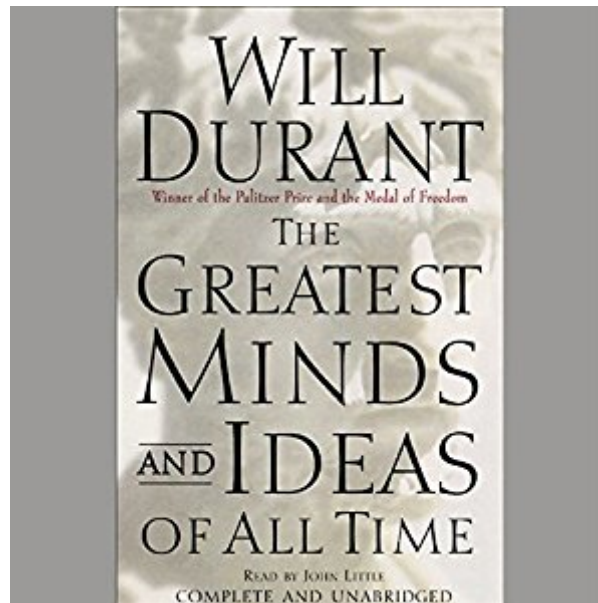




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I agree with the authors picks (based on his criteria). The book is very wordy, poetically dancing around points instead of converging on to one. It's not my preferred style of writing. This is a gateway book to many other works, I find myself wanting to further read many of of Durant's picks, such as: Plato's The Republic Confucius' The Analects etc...

Complex but nice

Durant is one of the most respected historians, and this modest-sized book is a gem. One can read the chapters in any sequence he wishes to gain nuggets of info on favorite historical characters or

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One of my very favorite books

Love it!

Extremely well written and a real treasure trove of history and biographies. Reads well. The only thing I don't like about it is its very humanist perspective - as if man is the measure of all of history. Otherwise this would be a masterpiece.

Great refresher/reminder of all the greats.

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