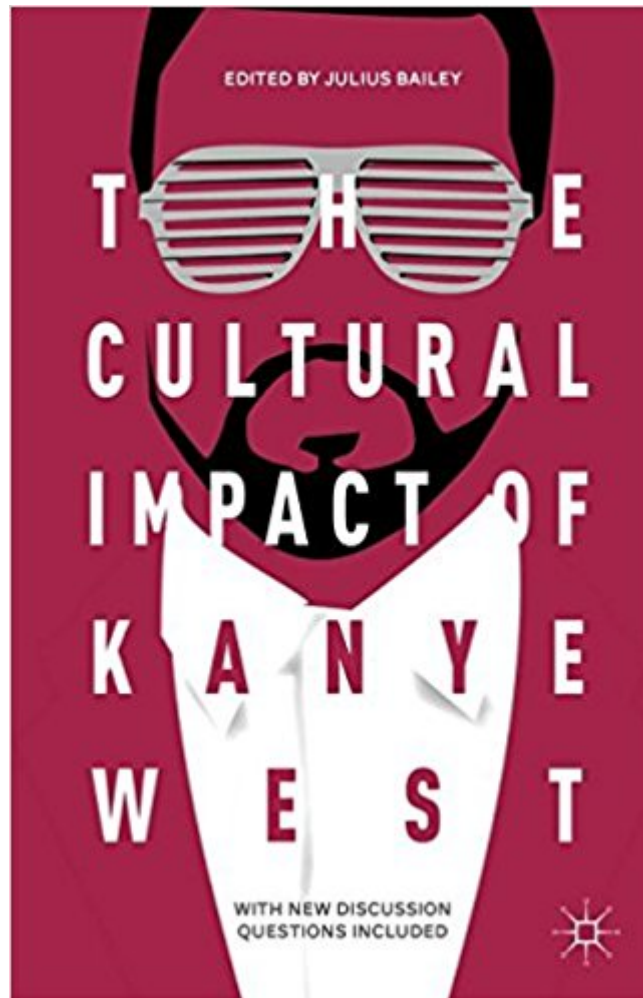




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The Cultural Impact Of Kanye West



Synopsis

Through rap and hip hop, entertainers have provided a voice questioning and challenging the sanctioned view of society. Examining the moral and social implications of Kanye West's art in the context of Western civilization's preconceived ideas, the contributors consider how West both challenges religious and moral norms and propagates them.

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Love him or hate him, Kanye West is one of the most prolific and influential artists in music history. Before complaining about the price, remember that this is a textbook, and is cheaper than most textbooks on the market today.

Actually give it a read... It's pretty good

Puffed-up PhDs spouting pontificating polysyllabisms. I bet these authors are great Scrabble players. A.D. Carson offers a useful idea, comparing Kanye West to fiction's Jay Gatsby, citing Bruccoli: "He is truly great by virtue of his capacity to commit himself to his aspirations." This 250 page tome could have been 200 pages shorter had the authors spent less on syntactically awkward descriptions of the frame and more on the picture. This book is in the library - save your money!

Kanye West is truly one of the greatest hip hop icons to emerge in the past century. Thank God for Kanye West

Don't bother

The impact of the the price on our wallets supersedes Yeezy's legacy. Even on Kindle, really? What are you thinking?

Are you kidding me? This Kanye West admitted on national tv to drawing himself in a WHITE family. He made money off of black people and gives it to his white woman and white kids. This is all after Kanye stated on a televised interview, "Black men with white women are an EPIDEMIC". Should I

say Kanye is crazy or mentally ill. Cultural impact- He teaches black boys to be ignorant (lyrics), demonstrate no class (Taylor Swift incidence) and give black dollars to whites. Black men celebrate Kanye b/c he is with a white woman. And the price for the book is ridiculous.

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