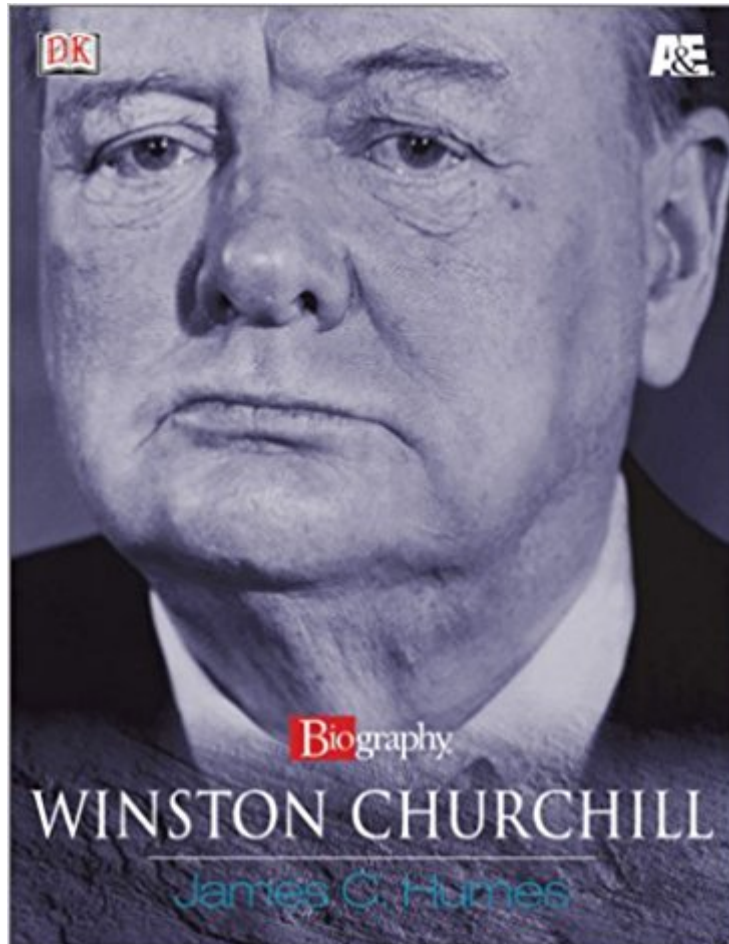




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Customer Reviews

James C. Hume served as a speechwriter for four presidents and is currently the professor of language and leadership at the University of Southern Colorado. He is the author of many books, including Eisenhower and Churchill: The Partnership That Saved the World and The Wit and Wisdom of Winston Churchill.

I am 84 years old and grew up in Scotland. I was 14 years old when Churchill became Prime Minister. I bought this book years ago in a bookstore and made this purchase for my elder son. It is a beautiful book and I particularly cherish the photo of the Queen leaving 10 Downing Street after she had dinner there, and extraordinary event. A story which I do not remember in the book however

was that of the 8 year old son of the butler at Chartwell opening Churchill's study door and peeping in asked him "Is it true that you are the greatest man in the whole wide world?". Churchill replied "Of course I'm the greatest man in the whole wide world. Now buzz off!"

A quick read of a very important and historic figure. The photos add a great perspective on the times and the changes that Winston underwent during his long years of service to the Crown.

A must read. Very well written.

The pictures are great and the summary history is OK for this nice little read about one of the great leaders of the 20th Century. Humes met Churchill three times and knew many of his advisers, so who better to write a summary history of this great man. Humes nicely portrays the man and his deep convictions. Since this is a summary, there is not a lot of meat in this little book, but one can get an essence of this man by reading this book. This is a great picture book, and the writing is adequate about the subject.

If there is a hagiography this is it. What about Chemical Gassing of Kurds of Iraq much before Chemical Ali came there, or gloating about dead in Bengal famine. The fact is that it took some like Hitler to cut Hitler, Stalin & Churchill filled that historical role.

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