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biographical but more so a historical analysis of the impact the subject made on the times. The book's essays are usually broken down into three subject areas and shows what influences were put on the subject and how the subject reacted to them. If the writer were living today, he would undoubtedly have included John F. Kennedy, Richard Nixon, Ronald Reagan, William F. Buckley and Ross Perot. In other words, each period had a particular individual that stood out and influenced many other thinkers, the public, and politicians. This book is really what history is all about, events shaping men and men shaping events. It is historical analysis; and it shows why reading and studying history is an exercise worth doing. 2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. The Consensus Historians, and the Man Who Kicked Them Off Von Ein Kunde Richard Hofstadter, late professor at Columbia University, launched the Consensus school of history with his book, *The American Political Tradition, and the Men Who Made It*. Published on the heels of World War II, Hofstadter examines twelve central American political figures, mostly, but not all, presidents. Although originally written as twelve separate essays, Hofstadter binds all of his portraits together via common themes running throughout the work and enunciated in the Introduction. While the Consensus view of American history only held sway for a brief number of years, Hofstadter, rightfully, continued to be considered one of the most brilliant historians in the country. The book is a classic of American history, one of the rare texts that both explores history, and is history. 1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Wonderfully analytical Von Ein Kunde Richard Hofstadter created a book that has become the foundation of much modern history. Many find his views biased, but these people themselves fail to see that Hofstadter has tried to dispell many of the myths that once surrounded these greats, and many people are to secure with these myths to release them.

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