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Texas won its independence from Mexico with the battle cry â œRemember the Alamolâ • But just what exactly was the Alamo, and what happened there to change the history of the United States? This is a comprehensive look at that famous siege as well as its background and consequences. It provides profiles of the famous men who died there, many quotes from contemporary witnesses (including entries from the memoirs and diaries of Mexican soldiers), fascinating details about everything from the weaponry of the time to the fate of the women and children who followed the Mexican army north, and a rousing description of the final battleâ "all copiously illustrated with paintings, photos, maps, diagrams, and more. This is history at its vivid and exciting best.

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Customer Reviews

This is an outstanding book. There are several good books about the Alamo but this one by Jim Murphy is well written and has a true feel of endearment for those that sacrificed their lives and left loved ones behind. The cover is very striking and captivating and I immediately was drawn to the book. The layout of the book is exquisite. It really captures the historical meaning and importance of this event of heroism and bravery and enables you to imagine a feel for the time, place and people. This is a beautiful looking and splendidly written book. I flip through its pages often and just remember.

The Washington Post was right in saying that no one does non-fiction better than Jim Murphy. The story of the Alamo is one that I passed over in history books. I felt this was an appauling gap. Jim Murphy's book is fascinating and riveting -- as well as beautiful. We have made this a family project to read this extraordinary story. It's a lesson in the making of myth and legend as well as history. An important story that all Americans should share. With a new PG-13 Disney distributed feature film on The Alamo coming out this winter, the Alamo will be on the lips of kids and parents everywhere. Why not read the definitive presentation. It's riveting!

Didn't like it. Waste of money. Not good pictures and would not be interesting to children. Would not recommend this book.

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