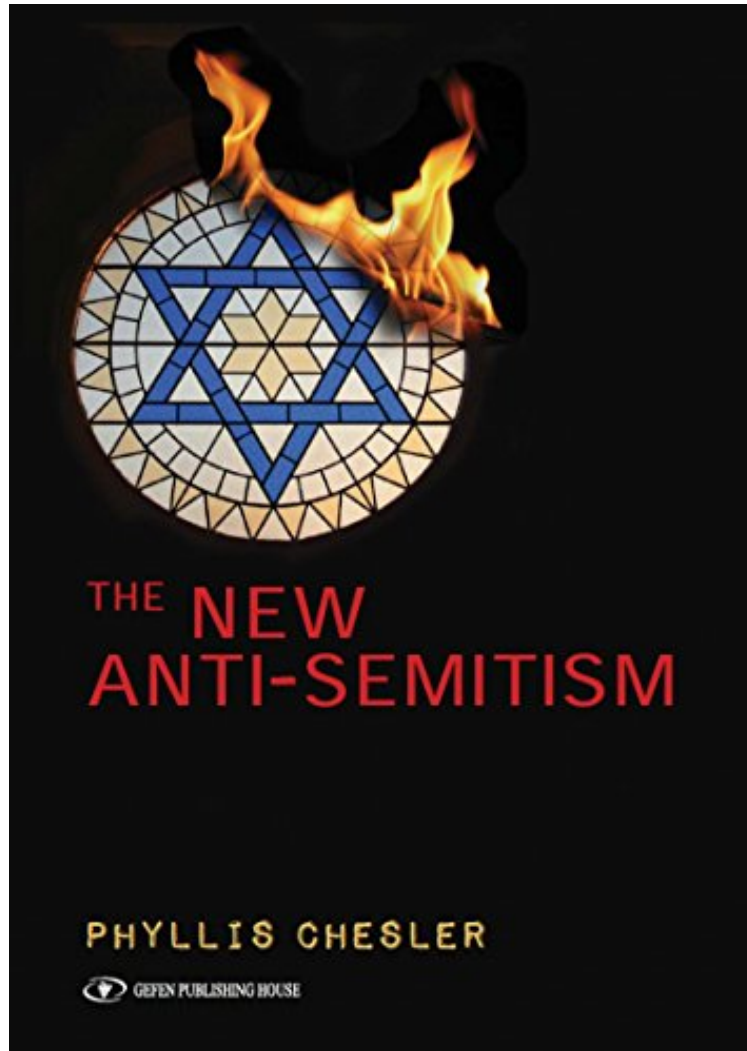


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Von Phyllis Chesler : The New Anti-Semitism (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The New Anti-Semitism (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Essential for understanding the timesVon Peter UysChesler's illuminating work chronicles the rise of a new virulent antisemitism. Based on her experience as a prominent feminist, an extensive study of the media, information from EU and US government sources and various independent research institutes, the book demonstrates how this pathology is spreading amongst various communities around the world. She provides insight into the psychology of the phenomenon, its historical development and the connections between the hatred of Jews and the hatred of America. These connections are confirmed by Andre Markovits in Uncouth Nation and Jean-Francois Revel in Anti-

Americanism, both of which examine the intellectual climate in Europe. As documented so thoroughly by Bernard Harrison in *The Resurgence of Anti-Semitism* and David Horowitz in *Unholy Alliance*, Chesler reports that the American and European Liberal-Left and Far Right have embraced the Islamists because of a shared rage projected onto the USA, Israel and the Jewish people. The first group has a pathological need for pack approval, whilst both refuse to do introspection and display an adolescent form of rebelliousness. The flipside consists of slavish adoration of other authorities like demagogues and dictators and a perverse desire for cathartic violence. So what exactly is new about the latest epidemic? For the first time it is being expressed in terms of anti-colonialism, anti-imperialism and anti-racism - issues of the Left. To Leftists, Zionism is colonialism and Israel a Western imposition on the third world. They consider themselves on the side of the underdog; therefore by definition they cannot be racist. The old versions were rooted in theology, ethnicity and nationalism. Chesler provides keen insight on how criticism against Israel and Jews is expressed by the two types of antisemite - the covert and the overt. Important indicators are mood, tone, facial expression and non-verbal behaviors. First, those who indignantly deny that they are antisemites. Is there something sanctimonious, jubilant, sly or insincere in the way they claim to be anti-Zionist but not antisemitic? Do they sound gleeful, energized or triumphant about Israel's troubles? On the other hand, open antisemites are consumed with rage, immoderate and much given to yelling and shaking with anger. A dead give-away is the erotic quality in the hatred. Christopher Hitchens and Julie Burchill have noticed this eroticism during the so-called "peace" marches of 2003 and it is also evident in the behavior of protesting students on American university campuses. Both types subject Israel to intense scrutiny, deny the country the right to defend itself, gleefully pounce on every incident and refuse to admit they were duped when these accusations are later exposed as staged propaganda. They hold Israel to an impossibly high standard of behavior that is demanded of no other country. Obsessed with the Jewish State, they ignore human rights abuses in places like Burma, Chechnya, Tibet and Zimbabwe. Who exactly are they? 1. Western Leftists of the feminist, multi-cultural, post-modern, antiglobalist environmentalist varieties. Their lairs are primarily in academia, the mass media and non-governmental organizations. This includes the United Nations and its agencies where a species called Transnational Progressives overlaps with 2. Islamists who consider America and Israel as the great and the little Satan. This type encompasses the ruling elites in countries like Shia Iran and Sunni Saudi Arabia 3. Old Left ideologues that are still enraged by the collapse of the Marxist dream. 4. Paleoconservative and "Libertarian" judeopaths who are overjoyed to see their obsession being embraced by those on the opposite side of the political spectrum. Amongst the Paleoconservative Traditionalists there are some prominent Catholics in both the USA and Europe 5. The Religious Left, consisting of theologians in the mainstream churches who are attempting to revive Replacement Theology, church leaders propagating divestment, the World Council of Churches and new movements in America. 6. White supremacist groups 7. Brainwashed students, bleeding heart naifs and a bewildering array of oddball conspiracy theorists like 9/11 "Troopers," some of whom overlap with certain of the aforementioned categories. The war against the Jews is being waged on many fronts: Military, primarily by Iran, Syria, Hezbollah, Hamas and numerous other terror groups; Mass media, through dishonest reporting by influential news organizations; Academia, by the dissemination of propaganda and boycott of Israeli academics; Economic, through the disbursement of Middle Eastern oil money to various groups, think tanks and universities as well as divestment campaigns initiated by certain church denominations; Political, via the United Nations and its agencies as well as direct pressure by oil producers applied to governments around the world; Popular culture, especially in hip hop and white supremacist rock music; the Internet, where thousands of hate groups have found a voice. In *Never Again?*, Abraham Foxman dates the rebirth of the plague from 1998 and considers 2000 the year in which it exploded. But in his authoritative work *Christian Antisemitism* published in 1993, William Nicholls already saw the signs and identified anti-Zionism as the typical expression of the new antisemitism. Citing a long list of incidents, Chesler reveals that even during the "quiet period" from 1948 to 1968 the war against the Jews never ceased. Arafat began his terrorist campaign that year, eleven Israeli athletes were murdered at the Munich Olympics in 1972, the UN general assembly equated Zionism with racism in 1975, the plane hijacking to Uganda took place in 1976 and terror attacks were frequent throughout the 1980s and 1990s. Moreover, the ideological war, commandeered by the Soviet Union and European Leftists, was well under way during the so-called quiet period, one also covered by Paul Charles Merkley in *Christian Attitudes Towards the State of Israel* where similar issues are investigated. A 20-page question-and-answer section suggests ways of dealing with the outbreak. Further valuable information may be found in *The Dawn: Political Teachings of the Book of Esther* by Yoram Hazony. Although *The New Anti-Semitism* predicts future turmoil, it is a compelling read leavened with humor. It includes 30 pages of Source Notes, a bibliography and an index.

Kurzbeschreibung Anyone who wants to understand the connection between anti-Semitism, Islamic terrorism, the role of propaganda and appeasement must read this book. Natan Sharansky, author, *The Case for Democracy* Passionate and beautifully written. This book will make you weep. It will also make you angry and frightened. Alan Dershowitz, Harvard Law School; author, *The Case for Israel* An exceptionally powerful work. Rabbi Lord Dr. Jonathan Sacks,

former Chief Rabbi of England A dangerous worldwide coalition of Islamic terrorists, well-intentioned but misinformed students, right-wing fascists, left-wing ideologues, academics, feminists, European politicians, journalists, and international human rights organizations have joined together to again scapegoat the Jews and the Jewish state for crimes they did not commit and for whatever ails the world. In this intensely passionate and compelling book, the best-selling and prize-winning Jewish feminist author Dr. Phyllis Chesler demonstrates how old-fashioned anti-Semitism now often seen in the form of anti-Zionism has become fashionable and even politically correct, and how this plague threatens the Jews of the world, Israel, America, and Western civilization. The 2003 edition of this book was a pioneering work that has stood the test of time. This new edition updates, expands, and strengthens the original analysis and also has a new introduction, resource section, and the answers to the twenty most frequently asked questions.

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