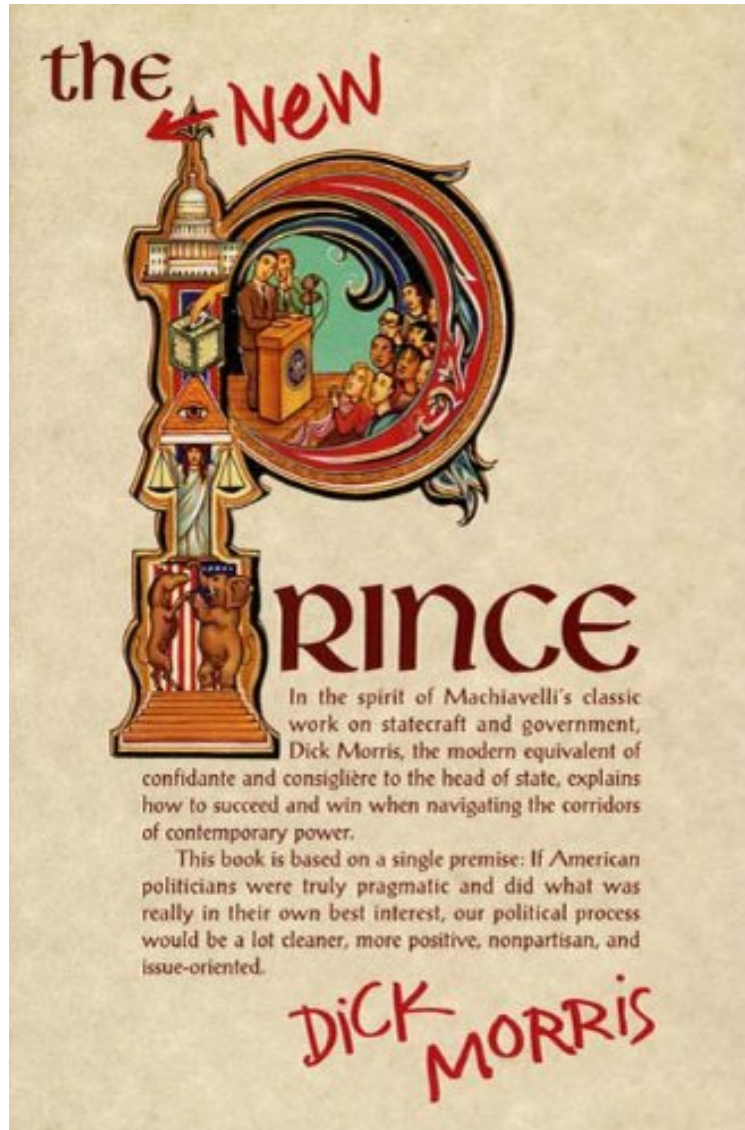


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen3 von 3 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. A Roadmap to winning an election - but what then?Von Ein KundeDick Morris' is without doubt a brilliant political consultant and tactitian. His new text is in essence an "Anarchist's Cookbook" for the politician who wants to win an

election - regardless of party, ideology or character. In fact, he argues that character is no longer so important - certainly not as important as the candidate's message. My great disappointment, however, was that Dick's book is only a partial revisit to Macchiavelli's works (*The Prince*, *Discourses*). While Macchiavelli stresses the importance of character, and centers his thesis for a successful republic on righteous leadership that is focused upon the welfare of the people, Dick remains committed to the "message" and "issues", only. "Jeffersonian Democracy" in his eyes is based on public opinion NOW - with all of its fickleness, partisanship and emotional "heat of the moment" decisionmaking. Like his most famous protege', it is my personal opinion that Mr. Morris possesses no moral compass and no real concept of LEADERSHIP under fire. Tough decisions often must be made from controversial options, and as in Chess, the long term "end game" is what's really important - especially in foreign affairs and National security. This is where character, strong will and moral authority really play a role - if you possess them. Dick Morris is the recognized master at waging and winning political war - but what does one do after the victory? Many of us are still asking that question.

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Some People Say They Speak The Truth, Dick Morris Does It! Von Ein Kunde Another straight forward, straight talking and an insider's informative book which the public and all political pundits will enjoy. Dick Morris for all who critique him pretty much follows the public's wishes and get them what they want and this book helps explain that in vivid detail. Whatever you want to say about Mr. Morris, I tell you now, he is a refreshing breath of reality in politics and is not afraid to speak his mind or convey his attitude of knowledge which is considerable. When confronted by scandal he admits the truth, takes responsibility and moves on with life, the exact same thing the Bible and any Self-Help book teaches you.. The book does the same in many aspects of the subject matter. We are never perfect, but we can try to be, and Dick Morris comes closest to political perfection than any other political person in awhile. The book is excellent pure excellence.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Niccolo must have kept better company Von Ein Kunde An interesting and engaging writer and speaker, Mr. Morris illustrates how pandering to populism's most basic instincts will win one an election. However, in doing so, he equally illustrates that a government led in this manner speaks ill of democracy, ill of the electorate, and even more ill of their leaders. His exemplary argument that the current electorate is better informed than previous generations is misleading: they may have more information as he states, but if their opinions can be altered by such rhetoric, they are certainly less likely to apply critical reasoning, know the limits of their insight, or the long term effects of policy decisions. By demonstration and example he creates an indirect but persuasive argument for the dangers of populism by poll and paints 'the worst kind of democracy' more vividly than any historian ever could. Like the people he counsels, Mr. Morris focuses all too much on what can be done in leading a democracy by maintaining individual political popularity, rather than what should be done for the good of the people and the future of the state. If not for his energy and progressive voice, and for the sometimes sad ring of truth in each point, the vision of a people led by such sycophants is dark, Orwellian, and devoid of hope. He does nothing whatsoever to provide a guide for politicians becoming strong and popular statesmen, yet he does, by accident, contribute to the current debate about the relationship between culture, rule of law, liberalism and democracy-- not as a commentator, but as a sidebar. Niccolo would not have approved.

Kurzbeschreibung Niccolo Machiavelli's *The Prince* has been one of the most widely read and quoted book about politics during the past five centuries. But in the democracies of the information age, new ideas are needed to make government prosper through the next century. Now, Dick Morris, who contributed significantly to President Clinton's reelection in 1996 and, during the previous two decades, helped many public officials (Democrats and Republicans alike) gain office, takes a hard look at our times and writes a how-to book for office-seekers, special-interest groups, and students of politics. In *The New Prince*, Morris advises candidates to adopt idealism as a strategy not because of misguided altruism, but because it works. He tells politicians, advocacy groups, business leaders, and citizens how to promote their causes and get their jobs done effectively. And he offers insights into the character of the most remarkable political figures of our time and outlines what he believes will be the political agenda for the next century..

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