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## **Editorial Review**

From Publishers Weekly

West's collection of eight cogent and profoundly moral essays on American race relations was a one-week PW bestseller.

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From School Library Journal

YA-Thought-provoking essays that address a number of controversial issues of concern to African Americans. West analyzes such subjects as nihilism in black America, the crisis of black leadership, affirmative action, black-Jewish relations, sexuality, and the legacy of Malcolm X. His writing style is scholarly and sparse—he does not waste words, and his prose is easy to read. Yet his viewpoints are radical and passionately felt. He is not afraid to speak frankly and, while he presents many criticisms, he also offers many solutions. Not everyone will agree with his point of view, but if one of his objectives is to make readers at least think about the problems he has dissected, then he has succeeded admirably.

*Pat Royal, Crossland High School, Camp Springs, MD*

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From Library Journal

Most Americans agree that race matters. From the deep South to Los Angeles to the streets of Manhattan, where West futilely waited more than an hour for a cab to take him to the photo shoot for the book upon which this production is based, racism remains a stain on American society. In this unabridged recording of his book, West explores the psychic wounds of black nihilism, the misconceptions of black and white liberals and conservatives, the important role of sex in racism, and the redistribution of resources and of spirit that are essential for racial justice. He looks at contemporary black/Jewish tensions and offers insights into the views of Malcolm X. While a professional actor might have employed a more consistent vocal tone (the breaks between recording sessions are obvious), this is a minor point. For most collections.

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