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Mine Okubo was one of over one hundred thousand people of Japanese descent - nearly two-thirds of whom were American citizens - who were forced into "protective custody" shortly after Pearl Harbor. Citizen 13660, Okubo's graphic memoir of life in relocation centers in California and Utah, illuminates this experience with poignant illustrations and witty, candid text. Now available with a new introduction by Christine Hong and in a wide-format artist edition, this graphic novel can reach a new generation of readers and scholars. Replaces ISBN 9780295959894

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I purchased this book to supplement my 8th grade language arts curriculum which looks at the internment of Japanese-Americans during WWII. I have since requested a class set of this title as it

is the most useful and engaging text I've seen on the topic. The drawings really add to the interest factor for 14 year olds.

A short memoir about life in the internment camps. Because not many books exist on this subject this book is a great peak into the historical period that is often times forgotten.

A great, very readable book about a sad time in our history by someone who went through it. Delightfully illustrated throughout.

Great picture book -- I thought I book with so many pictures was going to lack in content. I was so wrong! The message and information in the pictures is much more important than the one in the text. Funny, humane, witty, real. Excellent!

Got this book for a class, but shows a unique perspective of Japanese-American internment during WWII

Bought this for a class - so glad that I had the opportunity to read it. It's nuanced, detailed, descriptive, and wonderful - must read for everyone!

I am caucasian but Mine Okubo and I were both in Topaz Internment Center in the Utah desert. Her superb woodcut-style drawings brightened up many of the printed 'reports' we received. Her book is right on the line of truth.

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