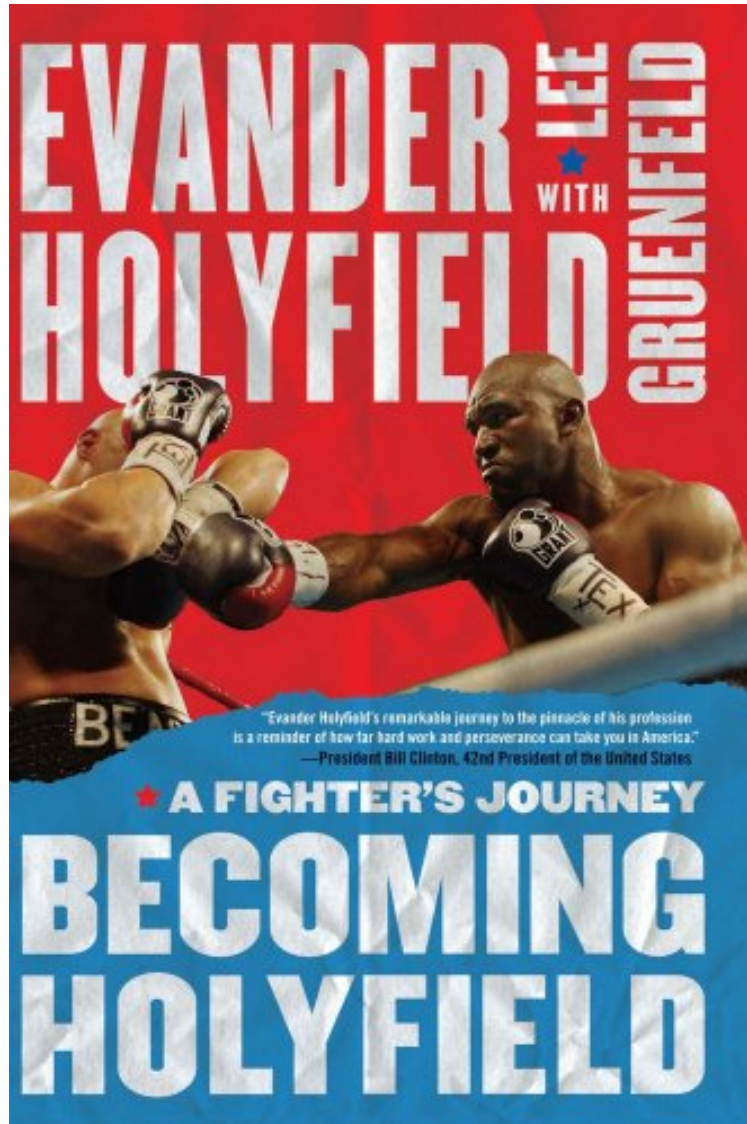


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Von Evander Holyfield : Becoming Holyfield: A Fighter's Journey (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Becoming Holyfield: A Fighter's Journey (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Nichts wirklich NeuesVon TheAls Fan des Boxsports habe ich mir einige Boxer angesehen und auch Bcher von George Foreman und Mike Tyson gelesen. Auch Evander Holyfield hatte aufgrund seiner Athletik und seinen einzelnen, erfolgreichen Wechseln in unterschiedlichen Gewichtsklassen, mein Interesse geweckt und so habe ich mich zum

Kauf des Buches "Becoming Holyfield" entschlossen. Allerdings ist mein Interesse an der Person, nicht nur aufgrund des Buches, dann gesunken. Doch zunächst zu dem Buch: "Becoming Holyfield" liefert im Grunde genommen nicht viel Neues. Da erzählt ein Boxathlet von seinem schwierigen Aufstieg, seinem Elternhaus, wie er zum Boxen kommt und welche Erfahrungen er gemacht hat. Die Kindheitsgeschichte des Evander Holyfield ist recht interessant und man nimmt ihm die einzelnen Vorkommnisse seiner Kindheit auch vollkommen ab. Jedoch wird das Buch ab dem Punkt, ab dem er mit dem Boxen etwas Erfolg hat, langweilig und reiht sich ein in die Biografien anderer Boxer. Zusätzlich habe ich aus anderer Quelle erfahren, dass Herr Holyfield sich hoch verschuldet hat aufgrund des Baus einer Villa mit 109 Zimmern. Dieser Bau passt in keinster Art und Weise zu den in seinem Buch angeschlagenen Tnen. Aus diesen Gründen habe ich schließlich das Interesse am Weiterlesen des Buches verloren. Ich vergeblich für das Buch drei Sterne, denn es ist gut strukturiert, die Anfangskapitel sind sehr glaubwürdig und bis zu einem gewissen Punkt ist das Buch auch interessant. Allerdings ging dann, ab dem Erreichen dieses gewissen Punktes, mein Interesse schlagartig bergab. Ich würde das Buch daher nur wirklich "eingefleischten Fans" empfehlen. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Holyfield Von Mr. GnyWer ein Fan ist, muss dieses Buch lesen, man kann es flieg lesen, ist verständlich. Man erfährt einiges und für Boxer eine Top Motivation!!!

Kurzbeschreibung History's only four-time world heavyweight boxing champion and one of America's most admired and beloved athletes reveals the dramatic story of his rise from poverty to the very pinnacle of the toughest sport on earth. Barely able to make it into the heavyweight division and almost always the smaller fighter in the ring, Holyfield spent his professional career proving the naysayers wrong. Along the way he provided some of the twentieth century's most thrilling sports moments, not all of them on purpose. In *Becoming Holyfield*, he gives us the exciting inside story of defeating Mike Tyson, the self-proclaimed "Baddest Man on Earth," and then getting a piece of his ear bitten off in the rematch. We learn how it felt to become the undisputed champion of the world by knocking out the man who knocked out Tyson, and we find out what it was really like to be in the middle of a title fight and see a motorized parachute fly right into the ring. There is heartbreak to go along with triumph, beginning with Holyfield's loss of an Olympic gold medal because of a highly controversial disqualification and continuing through his short-lived retirement following a misdiagnosed heart condition. Along the way we're treated to glimpses of such colorful figures as Don King and Howard Cosell and we come to understand the extra-ordinary power of love in shaping a young boy's life, and the love he tried to return. Holyfield made more money in the ring than any other fighter in history, and gave away millions to support the dreams of underprivileged kids looking for the same kinds of breaks that allowed him to become a champion. Holyfield's immense popularity cannot be overstated, and it cuts across all ethnicities and socioeconomic classes. The top three highest-grossing sporting events in Las Vegas history were all Holyfield fights, and his highly rated appearances on *Dancing with the Stars* helped to ensure that show's success. Other fighters may have been bigger, stronger, or more flamboyant, but few could match Evander Holyfield's poise, grace under pressure, or commitment to serve as an inspiration to others. From Publishers Weekly With the help of Gruenfeld (*The Street*), Holyfield recounts the story of his career with remarkable honesty and surprising wisdom. Despite becoming the heavyweight champion of the world four times, Holyfield has had a lot of bad luck, from the questionable Olympic disqualification to suffering a heart attack in the ring. He's also candid about his struggles with relationships and monogamy, having sired almost a dozen children with nearly as many women. While he could have expounded further upon certain oddities—Rapper MC Hammer's brief stint as his manager, his daughter's decision to change her name and, of course, his role on television's *Dancing with the Stars*—what we get is a portrait of a true champion. In an age of whiny, arrogant athletes, Holyfield is a remarkably good sport, allowing his work to speak for itself, reserving judgment and forgiving every person who has wronged him—including Mike Tyson. The only thing he gets defensive about is retirement: he's adamant that his goal is to reclaim the heavyweight title, despite the potential health risks. This memoir is a testament to the strength of his desire and the purity of his drive. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. Pressestimmen "Evander Holyfield's remarkable journey to the pinnacle of his profession is a reminder of how far hard work and perseverance can take you in America. Evander's passion, drive, and athleticism shine through on every page of his absorbing memoir, *Becoming Holyfield*." -- President Bill Clinton, "Evander Holyfield, the four-time heavyweight champion, has just published a superb autobiography. It deals with his reliance upon God, his ability to choose contentment over bitterness and the fulfilling trivia of getting a bit of his lug bitten off by a certain Mike Tyson. This all makes for a compelling read but Lee Gruenfeld, the ghost writer, has rendered it unmistakably in Holyfield's tones. I consumed the book in two sittings and then interviewed Holyfield. His rhythm of speech, his vocabulary, even his tone was exactly that of the book. Gruenfeld has, therefore, not only told the story in the way that Holyfield wants but also in his voice. It is a remarkable achievement. It adds to the enjoyment of the reader who believes he/she is listening to Holyfield direct without the need for a middle man' Hugh MacDonald, *The Herald* 28/3 "His account of that passage to heavy-weight success, a passage strewn with some of the most thrilling, and surreal, moments in twentieth century sport... In A

Fight's Journey [Holyfield] gives no apologies for his shortage of flair, or for his mistakes outside the ropes, but with an honesty that makes for a fascinating read he lays bare the gruelling sacrifices required to achieve one's goals' Book of the Week, Independent 21/3 'The path from impoverished black kid in the southern states to a multi-millionaire is a familiar tale in boxing, but the way Holyfield has carried himself during that time is what makes him unique. There are no grudges held from a life of murky boxing promoters, racist decisions, broken homes, and the loss of a fortune when his lawyer went against his instructions and passed up the opportunity to buy a radio station undervalued by seven figures. Instead, there's just an honest assessment of what has made Holyfield a champion' Sunday Tribune 30/3 'Better than most sporting biographies. It helps that Holyfield has an exemplary ghost in Lee Gruenfeld, who has a nifty prose style and the willingness to put in the hard hours with the tape recorder. It has been suggested that Holyfield's career might have endangered his brain, but if the early chapters recollecting his childhood are any measure, he has no concerns. Holyfield's account of the fight in which Mike Tyson bit off part of his ear is entertaining and excruciating... an intriguing read' Daily Telegraph 8/5