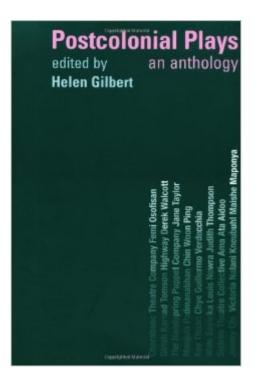
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# **Postcolonial Plays: An Anthology**





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I used this anthology in an undergrad postcolonial lit class. The introductions for each play are excellent - very thorough and informative about the various historical, cultural, and thematic elements of each play. It is a little light on the theory side, but that's a minor quibble for an otherwise useful book. Definitely will not be selling this one back.

This is a great book, but was not at all in the condition it was advertised in. There are obvious coffee and water stains on the pages and binding.

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