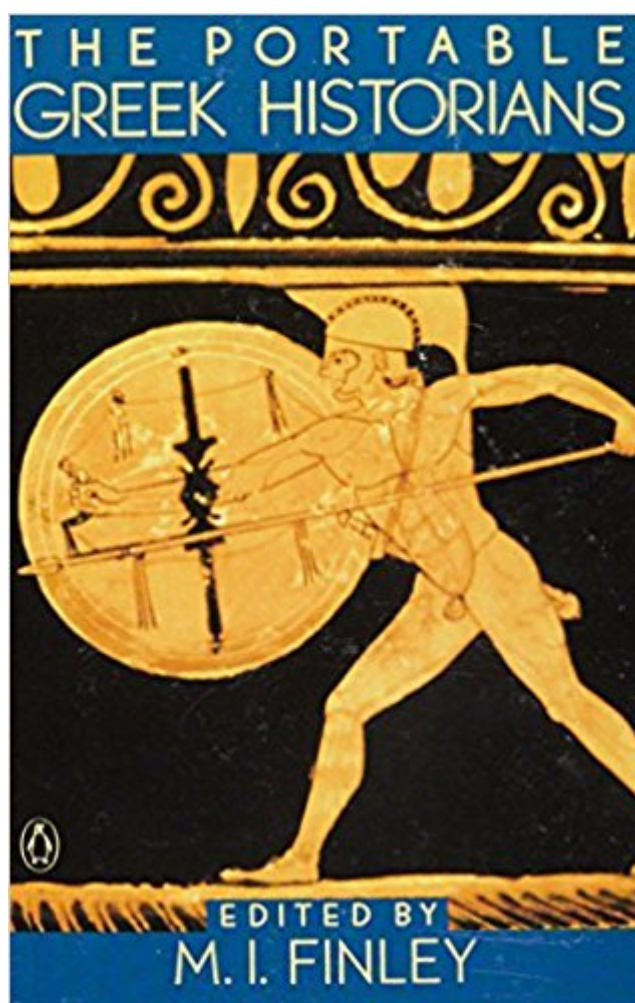


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M. I. Finley was a professor of ancient history and master of Darwin College, Cambridge. He died in 1986.

A collection of excerpts from Herodotus, Thucydides, Xenophon and Polybius. The selection takes us from the history of the Peloponnesian war, through the attempted Athenian conquest of Sicily, the Persian civil wars and up to the Roman conquest. The narration and commentary by M.I. Finley is probably a bit too brief for the reader not familiar with the Greeks, and yet is probably not necessary for the true scholar. The translations are easy to digest and written in very approachable English. All in all, the book is 500+ pages of Greek history by four great writers, but the set up and the commentary are too sparse to make it a great read for the non-scholar.

Enjoyed it immensel. Very well done.

I got this book for a class I am taking. It's a good book, fascinating for those who like ancient Greek and Roman history, but it can be hard to get through at times.

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Some of these old guys are hilarious

well put together understandable and will hold one's interest would recommend to buy and it is a history primer any student would appreciate

I originally purchased this book when I started college to prepare for my Senior Oral Exam, I skimmed but didn't really retain much of each writer's style save perhaps Herodotus. After thoroughly reading the excerpted selections for these four writers, I can say that my decision to skim it originally was the correct one. If M. I. Finley, the selector of this volume, gave an accurate representation of each writer through the excerpts he chose then Herodotus and Xenophon are the best readings while Thucydides gets bogged down in speeches and Polybius in the discourse of governmental comparisons. However if the excerpts aren't representative of each writer then the fault is with Finley.

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