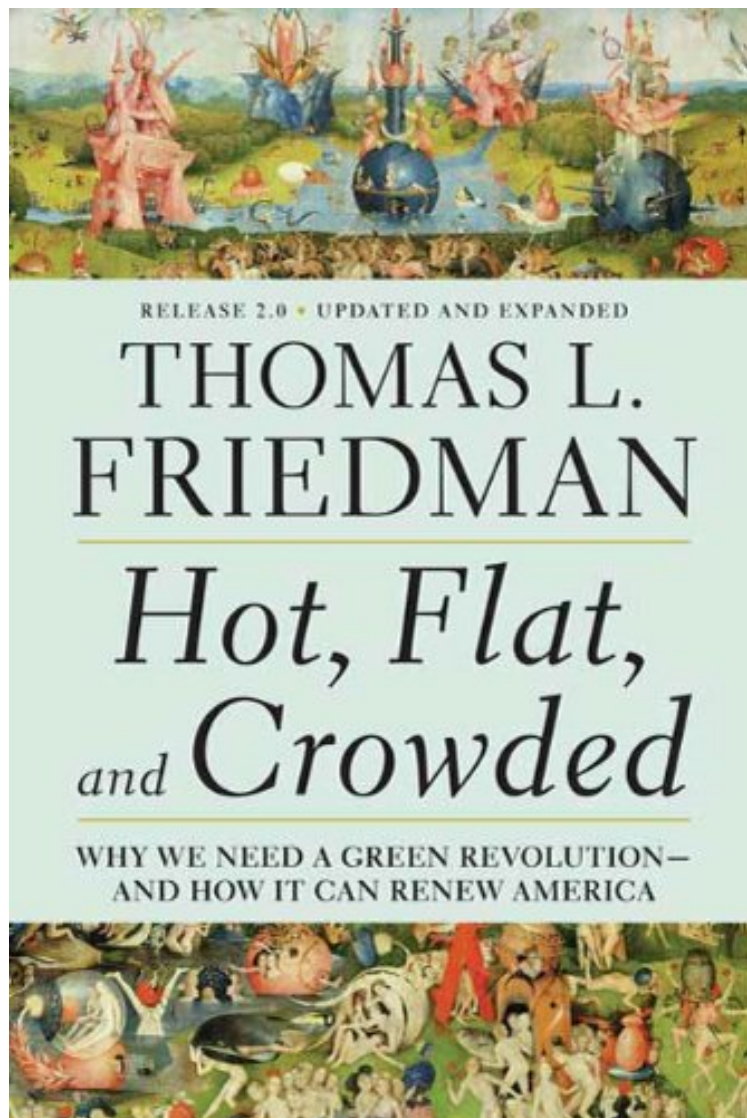


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Revolution, and How It Can Revolutionize America, beseeches America to lead the world in what Friedman terms a green revolution. In the book he urges America to demolish the walls it has built post-911 and rebuild relationships with the world to accomplish the daunting task of reworking our entire way of life to meet the challenges of an ever more populated, flat, and undeniably warming world. Anyone who has an interest in the new green revolution or feels that the world needs a change for the better would truly benefit from the author's insight, anecdotes, facts, and plans to change the world. Thomas Friedman's depth of knowledge of world affairs is truly remarkable once one delves into one of his books. His apparent, extensive research and personal interviews with some of the world's leading businessmen, politicians, and world leaders is a break from the media blitz that has surrounded climate change and the green revolution. Besides presenting mounds of facts, statistics, and current events, the author provides perspective on those events and how they relate to one another, making it easier for people who may not have as deep a knowledge of world affairs to understand the true implications of the global threats we face daily. This reviewer appreciates a writer who not only presents the facts and the situation, but has a plan to solve it. Throughout the book, Friedman presents logical, fact based plans to right the wrongs of society to promote conservation, reduce energy use, and bring the U.S. back to its rightful position as leader of the free world. Friedman manages to cut through to the heart of climate change and global crowding and provide real solutions rather than simply relating the facts as so many other authors do. *Hot, Flat and Crowded* is simply one of the best books on climate change that the market has to offer. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. **The Political Platform to Save the World** By Biskinik57 We can save the world by demanding all G8 leaders adopt this political platform and tell the big fossil fuel and utility companies to get on board or be left behind. Our government must set the right price signals and tax structure for RD for renewable energy. We must take our government back from these companies for the long term survival of the species and to reshape the environment and the world's economy. The G8 and/or U.S. can lead this or be left behind. This book enhanced my thinking that this must be done soon. We need to make sure our governments get the backbone to make the changes necessary. Are we going to wait until we have reached the tipping point? We will probably not plan ahead and react to disasters that may wipe us out. Read the book and talk to your elected officials. If they say this is crazy then you know they are not a visionary leader or have been bought by big business and need to be VOTED out. The dumbing down of America must stop!!!! We need to wake up, get off our asses and demand a platform that is outlined in this book. We should be tired of those with the money being greedy to the point of making the rest of us suffer and eventually die so they can live for the now. The way we are going is not sustainable and we have crapped in our own nest. Stop the insanity!!!! 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. **A new way to view GREEN** By Thomas M. Magee This book is a must read for any voting citizen. You may not like what he has to say but you should read it anyway. The book will help anyone understand the subject. The recent election and statements from the President elect shows how the Green issue is a major shapping force in American politics. Many people are worshiping at the Green alter. I know many don't understand what this Green thing is. Many view it as a feel good issue like don't club Baby seals. There isn't much argument to that. To others the green issue is a starting point to the one world government bent on destruction. This book shapes that issue in a new way that will help all parties. No matter what you believe this issue will truly haunt us in many different ways over the next few years. Thomas Friedman here captures the issue like nothing else. Most books on the subject are nothing but sad stories about Bambi and the other creatures of the forest from nase sounding failed politicians. All of those books were written by rich ex-politicans or whinny university professors who all don't have to worry about where their next meal is coming from. To 90% of the world living in the edge of poverty the Green religion has different meanings. This book takes a radically new approach to explaining things. He both shows the importance of the isse but tempers it with some reality. Thomas's reality on the world is a good read. The first half of the book shows in great detail the status of the world. He in very clear detail shows how population for the third world is going through the roof. Then he discusses the impact from that unrestrained growth. This growth has a huge impact on other things and vice versa. Growing populations need more energy. As they burn that energy damage from pollution grows and the demand on supply increases pushing up price. Friedman's discussion of this angle is excellent. It is clear, concise, and very believable. Christians who read it will swear they are reading a description of the last days, though Mr. Friedman doesn't talk about that. He says the pressure from this situation demands a "Green Revolution". His ideas on how to start this revolution is really thought provoking. He has very specific ideas like a new electrical grid system for the country or how to use RD monies to prime the research pump. Friedman's ideas do seem to rely heavily on optimism and humanism. His descriptions are very clear and entertaining. He has some little known stories that really enrich the story and do give hope. The stories make the issue real and not some vague ideology ex-liberals like to preach. He does have some ideas worth exploring on the policy front. The recent President elect's radio speeches sound like he has read this book. I am sure we all will see these ideas debated on TV news over the next year or so. That is why I think everyone should read this book. It will help you understand events.

A New York Times Book Review Notable Book of the Year A Washington Post Best Book of the Year A Businessweek Best Business Book of the Year A Chicago Tribune Best Book of the Year In this brilliant, essential

book, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Thomas L. Friedman speaks to America's urgent need for national renewal and explains how a green revolution can bring about both a sustainable environment and a sustainable America. Friedman explains how global warming, rapidly growing populations, and the expansion of the world's middle class through globalization have produced a dangerously unstable planet--one that is "hot, flat, and crowded." In this Release 2.0 edition, he also shows how the very habits that led us to ravage the natural world led to the meltdown of the financial markets and the Great Recession. The challenge of a sustainable way of life presents the United States with an opportunity not only to rebuild its economy, but to lead the world in radically innovating toward cleaner energy. And it could inspire Americans to something we haven't seen in a long time--nation-building in America--by summoning the intelligence, creativity, and concern for the common good that are our greatest national resources. Hot, Flat, and Crowded is classic Thomas L. Friedman: fearless, incisive, forward-looking, and rich in surprising common sense about the challenge--and the promise--of the future.

"Friedman produces cogent analyses of the most important developments of our time. . . .nbsp;A convincing case for the green revolution required to rescue us from an unsustainable course."--USA Today