

Biko

Steve Biko was an exceptional and inspirational leader, a pivotal figure in South African history. As a leading anti-apartheid activist and thinker, Biko created the Black Consciousness Movement, the grassroots organisation which would mobilise a large proportion of the black urban population. His death in police custody at the age of just 30 robbed South Africa of one of its most gifted leaders.

Although the rudimentary facts of his life - and death - are well known, there has until now been no in-depth book on this major political figure and the impact of his life and tragic death. Xolela Mangcu, who knew Biko, provides the first in-depth look at the life of one of the most iconic figures of the anti-apartheid movement, whose legacy is still felt strongly today, both in South Africa, and worldwide in the global struggle for civil rights.

Subjected to 22 hours of interrogation, torture and beating by South African police on September 6, 1977, Steve Biko died six days later. Donald Woods, Biko's close friend and a leading white South African newspaper editor, exposed the murder helping to ignite the black revolution.

This versatile volume combines examples of poetry from historical and contemporary masters with high school writing. Each chapter contains poems for reading aloud, poems for discussion, models for writing exercises, samples of student poems, and a bibliography for extended reading. Many teachers use Reading and Writing Poetry with Teenagers across disciplines. Writing exercises include: Animals as Symbols Family Portraits in Words Of War and Peace Writing Song Lyrics as an Expression of Social Protest

A revised edition, this text presents a biography of the life and concerns of Steve Biko.

Cry Freedom

Steve Biko

What dangers did Biko and Fanon see in reformism and liberalism?

A Report to the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

A Novel

“When you say, ‘Black is Beautiful,’ what in fact you are saying . . . is: Man, you are okay as you are; begin to look upon yourself as a human being.” With such statements, Stephen Biko became the voice of Black Consciousness. And with Biko’s brutal death in the custody of the South African police, he became a martyr, an enduring symbol of the horrors of apartheid. Through the lens of visual culture, Biko’s Ghost reveals how the man and the ideology he promoted have profoundly influenced liberation politics and race discourse—in South Africa and around the globe—ever since. Tracing the linked histories of Black Consciousness and its most famous proponent, Biko’s Ghost explores the concepts of unity, ancestry, and action that lie at the heart of the ideology and the man. It challenges the dominant historical view of Black Consciousness as ineffectual or racially exclusive, suppressed on the one side by the apartheid regime and on the other by the African National Congress. Engaging theories of trauma and representation, and icon and ideology, Shannen L. Hill considers the martyred Biko as an embattled icon, his image portrayals assuming different shapes and political meanings in different hands. So, too, does she illuminate how Black Consciousness worked behind the scenes throughout the 1980s, a decade of

heightened popular unrest and state censorship. She shows how—in streams of imagery that continue to multiply nearly forty years on—Biko's visage and the ongoing life of Black Consciousness served as instruments through which artists could combat the abuses of apartheid and unsettle the “rainbow nation” that followed.

Biko was not only considered a 'brilliant political theorist', he is also considered a formidable and articulate philosopher; an important African existential philosopher. From Biko's writings, speeches and interviews, Mabogo More's view is that philosophy is not a disembodied system of ideas nor is it a mechanical reflection about the world; rather, it is a way of existing and acting. What Biko himself describes as 'a way of life'. This important perspective on Biko would be of value to many African philosophers, political and social thinkers, social scientists, psychologists, cultural critics, political activists, students, critical race theorists and anyone interested in the ideas that Biko presents.

A History Book Club Reading Selection This omnibus edition brings together concise and up-to-date biographies of Steve Biko, Emperor Haile Selassie, Patrice Lumumba, and Thomas Sankara. African Leaders of the Twentieth Century will complement courses in history and political science and serve as a useful collection for the general reader. Steve Biko, by Lindy Wilson Steve Biko inspired a generation of black South Africans to claim their true identity and refuse to be a part of their own oppression. This short biography shows how fundamental he was to the reawakening and transformation of South Africa in the second half of the twentieth century and just how relevant

he remains. Emperor Haile Selassie, by Bereket Habte Selassie Emperor Haile Selassie was an iconic figure of the twentieth century, a progressive monarch who ruled Ethiopia from 1916 to 1974. The fascinating story of the emperor's life is also the story of modern Ethiopia. Patrice Lumumba, by Georges Nzongola-Ntalaja Patrice Lumumba was a leader of the independence struggle in what is today the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Decades after his assassination, Lumumba remains one of the heroes of the twentieth-century African independence movement. Thomas Sankara: An African Revolutionary, by Ernest Harsch Thomas Sankara, often called the African Che Guevara, was president of Burkina Faso, one of the poorest countries in Africa, until his assassination during the military coup that brought down his government. This is the first English-language book to tell the story of Sankara's life and struggles.

Based on the screenplay from Attenborough's movie Cry Freedom, this is John Briley's portraitnues to make headlines today. Steve Biko, leader of the Black Consciousness Movement, was killed for his beliefs; Donald Woods risked everything including his life to make them known. The friendship they formed was torn apart by the terrible reality of apartheid.

Celebrating Steve Biko

The Crisis

Biko Lives

Contesting the Legacies of Steve Biko

Biko Lives!

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This series honours the lives of southern African leaders who helped shape the history of the region. The books include activities for exploration in the classroom.

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Only a dramatic, imaginatively crafted intervention - a

massive redistribution programme managed by the private sector, far-reaching policy changes in schooling, housing and health, and better, disciplined governance, will deliver the genuine liberation South Africa's still-poor millions expected from the 1994 settlement. Without it, without the real promise of a free, meritocratic society, South Africa will flounder and fail as corruption, crime, social decay, hopelessness and anger engulf society. This is the compelling thesis of Hlumelo Biko's hard-hitting, thoughtful analysis of South Africa's past, present and future, a sobering assessment of where we stand today, and where we need to go. At once unnervingly candid and inspiring, *The Great African Society* demolishes the complacent optimism that underpins much soft thinking about South Africa's future and places at the service of public debate practical, achievable objectives for business, government and civil society. South Africa's challenge, the book argues, is to act now to avoid the mounting threat of revolt and decline that would devalue every political and economic achievement of the past decade-and-a-half and leave Nelson Mandela's feted rainbow nation staring decrepitude in the face. No debate from here on about the South African future can be taken seriously without weighing Biko's insights and his warnings. *The Great African Society* is vividly moral in its intentions, but sober and unsentimental in examining political and economic imperatives. It is guaranteed to make the reader sit up and take stock afresh.

School Discipline in an Age of Fear

The Radical Gospel of Black Consciousness

A Selection of His Writings

Selected Writings

Reading and Writing Poetry with Teenagers

Thirty years ago, on 12 September 1977,

Bantu Stephen Biko, one of South

Africa's greatest leaders and

philosophers, was murdered in detention

by the apartheid regime. The Apartheid

Museum, in partnership with the

Department of Education and the Steve

Biko Foundation, seeks to honour Biko's

memory by staging this major exhibition

to commemorate his contribution to

lifting the veil of oppression in our

country. Unlike Biko, many others who

died in detention for their opposition to

apartheid have sunk into obscurity. This

book pays tribute to all 115 people who

died in South African prisons from 1963

to 1990 in their quest for a better world.

'You are either alive and proud or you are

dead ... and your method of death can be

a politicizing thing' - Steve Biko Founder

of the Black Consciousness Movement,

Steve Biko was a natural target for the

South African authorities. On 13 August

1977, Steve Biko was arrested,

interrogated and beaten. On 12 September he was dead. Editor of a leading anti-apartheid paper, Donald Woods was a friend of Steve Biko and went into exile in order to write his testimony about the life and work of a remarkable man. Praise for 'Biko' 'Courageous and passionate ... Mr Woods's brave attack on the shabby and ultimately murderous expedients of a society dominated by fear and greed should serve as both an inspiration and a warning' -- Christopher Hampton in the Sunday Times 'A personal testament to a powerful, tragic figure and an impassioned indictment of a fascist nationalist system responsible for his brutal death in police custody' -- The New York Times Book Review A fifth-generation South African, Donald Woods was born in Transkei in 1933 and studied law in Cape Town before becoming a journalist. At the age of thirty-one he was appointed Editor of the Daily Dispatch, a leading anti-apartheid newspaper in South Africa. Until he was silenced by governmental banning orders in October 1977, he wrote the most widely read syndicated column in the country. He

and his wife and their five children escaped to Britain in 1978 and now live in London, where he works as a writer, broadcaster and lecturer on South African affairs. His other books include South African Dis-patcheSy Asking for Trouble and Filming with Attenborough, all published in Penguins.

Set in 2004-2006, Madison Whitehouse, a black conservative, a grimly funny provocateur who delights in insisting racism ended in 1965 with the Voting Rights Act, swiping at feminism, multiculturalism, affirmative-action, illegal immigrants and the Left. He is also a food critic for the Orange County Register and best-selling author of travel books that have gotten him banned in many third world countries. He is in the middle of a divorce and low on money. His agent proposes a travel book about Central Africa. He agrees, sure he will be back in a few weeks. In Africa, he is caught in a coup d'etat, accused of the death of American soldiers, then goes on the run and in the course of his journey, a secret he has kept for years will be forced into the open. He will have a question to answer: At what point does

one stop trying to avoid who they were and confront who they are now?

Essay from the year 2018 in the subject Politics - International Politics - Region: Africa, grade: 1,3, Free University of Berlin, language: English, abstract: Every generation has to discover its mission and either fulfill it or betray it. As the first generation who does not live under Apartheid in South Africa anymore, the youth and black community in general are still faced with injustice worldwide. Past experiences, resources, dangers and their own consciousness shape their behavior in a world which is never not moving or changing. Therefore, the fight for equality continues and determines the lives of many people. This is why reading and including main characters of post- colonial theories in present discussions is still important. The two writers which will be included in this essay are Biko and Fanon. It is necessary to not just look at their overall opinion on reformism and liberalism but to also consider the dangers they see on these.

Biko

Biko - Cry Freedom

Decolonial Meditations of Black

Consciousness
The Powerful Biography of Steve Biko
and the Struggle of the Black
Consciousness Movement
Homeroom Security

This is a political memoir of life in a rural South African township - with Andile M-Afrika weaving a creative narrative about events surrounding this country's struggle history, where Steve Bantu Biko played a pivotal role. Andile M-Afrika's memoir delves deep into his personal encounters with people, political events and day-to-day life in rural King Williamstown, Eastern Cape. What speaks volumes, are the pervasive echoes of Biko's presence, on those who shared life in this historic village. M-Afrika's insider's account about the everyday turmoil of life in the village of struggle icon Steve Bantu Biko leaves readers with a vibrant, accurately drawn impression of events which flowed through the village. Author Andile M-Afrika lived just across the street from Biko, and takes us on a highly personal journey. South Africa's system of apartheid is one of the most controversial present-day issues, but its roots lie in a history of oppression. The conscience of governments all over the world is being tested as the

double standards of many have been revealed through the conflict of financial interest versus human rights. Steve Biko came to the fore in the '60s and '70s when the black consciousness movement emerged to radically change the self-awareness of black people in South Africa. Biko, as the leader of the movement, achieved international status and recognition. His premature death in 1977 and the subsequent inquest shocked the world, bringing home to people the brutality of the apartheid system. Roger Omond assesses the importance of Biko and the black consciousness movement in South Africa in the struggle against apartheid today. "Steve Biko was the forty sixth person to die in security police detention in South Africa. And for the first time, the inquest revealed full and horrifying details of how political detainees are treated. What exactly happened to Biko in room 619 is known only to his interrogators. But from a close reading of the inquest proceedings, given in this book, it is possible to reconstruct the events and identify the likely culprits. Th inquest verdict exonerated the police, shocking the world but demonstrating once again the inherently ruthless and oppressive nature of the Apartheid

state".--BOOKJACKET.

New York magazine was born in 1968 after a run as an insert of the New York Herald Tribune and quickly made a place for itself as the trusted resource for readers across the country. With award-winning writing and photography covering everything from politics and food to theater and fashion, the magazine's consistent mission has been to reflect back to its audience the energy and excitement of the city itself, while celebrating New York as both a place and an idea.

Philosophy, Identity and Liberation

A Life

Selfless Revolutionaries

The Quest for a True Humanity : an Exhibition Commemorating the 30th Anniversary of the Death of Bantu Stephen Biko

A Plan for a Nation Gone Astray

The Crisis, founded by W.E.B. Du Bois as the official publication of the NAACP, is a journal of civil rights, history, politics, and culture and seeks to educate and challenge its readers about issues that continue to plague African Americans and other communities of color. For nearly 100 years, The Crisis has been the magazine of opinion and thought leaders, decision makers, peacemakers and justice seekers. It has chronicled,

informed, educated, entertained and, in many instances, set the economic, political and social agenda for our nation and its multi-ethnic citizens.

Steve Biko inspired a generation of black South Africans to claim their true identity and refuse to be a part of their own oppression. Through his example, he demonstrated fearlessness and self-esteem, and he led a black student movement countrywide that challenged and thwarted the culture of fear perpetuated by the apartheid regime. He paid the highest price with his life. The brutal circumstances of his death shocked the world and helped isolate his oppressors. This short biography of Biko shows how fundamental he was to the reawakening and transformation of South Africa in the second half of the twentieth century—and just how relevant he remains.

Biko ' s understanding of black consciousness as a weapon of change could not be more relevant today to “ restore people to their full humanity. ” As an important historical study, this book ' s main sources were unique interviews done in 1989—before the end of apartheid—by the author with Biko ' s acquaintances, many of whom have since died.

Moving away from the domain of commemorative, iconicity, monumentalization, and memorialization, Sithole uses Steve Biko's meditations as a discursive intervention to understand black subjectivity. The epistemological shift of this book is not to be bogged down by the cataloging of events, something that is popular in the literature of Steve Biko and Black Consciousness.

Rather, a theoretical imagination and conceptual invention is engaged upon in order to situate Biko within the existential repertoire of blackness as a site of subjectivity and not the object of study. The theoretical imagination and conceptual invention fosters an interpretive approach and an ongoing critique that cannot reach any epistemic closure. This is what decolonial meditations are all about, opening up new vistas of thought and new modes of critique informed by epistemic breaks from “ empirical absolutism ” that reduce Biko to an epistemic catalogue. It is in Steve Biko: Decolonial Meditations of Black Consciousness that the black subject is engaged not only in the politics of criticism for its own sake, but philosophy of existence.

During the mid-1960s to the late 1970s, black college students in South Africa became frustrated with apartheid, Bantu education policy, Bantustans, white liberal organizations, and European-branded Christianity. Their anger with white nationalism under apartheid caused them to mobilize, rise up, and fight against systemic oppression for their liberation. The timing was pregnant with purpose for the new generation of leaders to rise since the ANC and PAC were banned, creating an aboveground silence amongst black anti-apartheid revolutionaries. The reader will be lured into the struggle, blood, loss, tears, and victories of blacks fighting against apartheid in South Africa. Readers will learn about the ideology and way of life adopted by black youth known as black consciousness. The book analyzes how students

became so devoted in their beliefs and application of the tenets of black consciousness that it was likened to the gospel message. It describes how the teachings of black consciousness were used as psychological weapons of war to liberate the minds of blacks, white liberals, and the white apartheid regime. The primary focus of this book is on the life, message, and journey of BC ' s preeminent leader, Steve Biko, who led the radical movement along with his colleagues to empower his people and encourage the nation to seek and possess truer humanity. His message takes center stage while his life takes several unexpected turns as the system hunts him down.

However, the most controversial yet surprising component of this work would be the comparison of Biko ' s life and death with Jesus ' s life and death at Calvary—from the cradle to the grave. Though Biko was not necessarily a professed Christian, his life ' s work and message make chilling parallels to the life of Jesus Christ, which are captured here. This book is bound to awaken the soul and mind of the reader as they become raptured in the intersectionality of race, justice, and faith.

The Inquest Into the Death of Stephen Bantu Biko

The True Story of the Young South African Martyr and his Struggle to Raise Black Consciousness
Biko, Black Consciousness, Black Theology, and a Global Ethic of Solidarity and Resistance
African Leaders of the Twentieth Century

This collection looks at the on-going

significance of Black Consciousness, situating it in a global frame, examining the legacy of Steve Biko, the current state of post-apartheid South African politics, and the culture and history of the anti-apartheid movements.

Biko - Cry Freedom Macmillan

"The most potent weapon in the hands of the oppressor is the mind of the oppressed." Like all of Steve Biko's writings, those words testify to the passion, courage, and keen insight that made him one of the most powerful figures in South Africa's struggle against apartheid. They also reflect his conviction that black people in South Africa could not be liberated until they united to break their chains of servitude, a key tenet of the Black Consciousness movement that he helped found. *I Write What I Like* contains a selection of Biko's writings from 1969, when he became the president of the South African Students' Organization, to 1972, when he was prohibited from publishing. The collection also includes a preface by Archbishop Desmond Tutu; an introduction by Malusi

and Thoko Mpumlwana, who were both involved with Biko in the Black Consciousness movement; a memoir of Biko by Father Aelred Stubbs, his longtime pastor and friend; and a new foreword by Professor Lewis Gordon. Biko's writings will inspire and educate anyone concerned with issues of racism, postcolonialism, and black nationalism.

'If Steve Biko were alive today, we would have a country that gladly embraces African culture as the dominant driving force for how society is organised ...' In 1968, two young medical students, Steve Biko and Mamphela Ramphele, fell in love while dreaming of a life free from oppression and racial discrimination. Their love story is also the story of the founding of the Black Consciousness Movement (BCM) by a group of 15 principled and ambitious students at the University of Natal in Durban in the early 1970s. In this deeply personal book, Hlumelo Biko, who was born of Steve and Mamphela's union, movingly recounts his parents' love story and how the BCM's message of black self-love and self-

reliance helped to change the course of South African history. Based on interviews with some of the BCM's founding members, *Black Consciousness* describes the early years of the movement in vivid detail and sets out its guiding principles around a positive black identity, black theology and the practice of Ubuntu through community-based programmes. In spiritual conversation with his father, Hlumelo re-examines what it takes to live a Black Consciousness life in today's South Africa. He also explains why he believes his father - who was brutally murdered by the apartheid police in 1977 - would have supported true radical economic transformation if he were alive today.

New York Magazine

Biko's Ghost

BLACK CONSCIOUSNESS - A Love Story

We Write What We Like

Steve Biko and Apartheid

Police officers, armed security guards, surveillance cameras, and metal detectors are common features of the disturbing new landscape at many of today's high schools. You will also find new and harsher disciplinary practices: zero-tolerance policies, random searches with drug-sniffing dogs, and

mandatory suspensions, expulsions, and arrests, despite the fact that school crime and violence have been decreasing in the US for the past two decades. While most educators, students, and parents accept these harsh policing and punishment strategies based on the assumption that they keep children safe, Aaron Kupchik argues that we need to think more carefully about how we protect and punish students. In *Homeroom Security*, Kupchik shows that these policies lead schools to prioritize the rules instead of students, so that students' real problems--often the very reasons for their misbehaviour--get ignored. Based on years of impressive field research, Kupchik demonstrates that the policies we have zealously adopted in schools across the country are the opposite of the strategies that are known to successfully reduce student misbehaviour and violence. As a result, contemporary school discipline is often unhelpful, and can be hurtful to students in ways likely to make schools more violent places. Furthermore, those students who are most at-risk of problems in schools and dropping out are the ones who are most affected by these counterproductive policies. Schools and students can and should be safe, and *Homeroom Security* offers real strategies for making them so.

A celebration of Steve Biko's legacy of freedom Steve Biko, the founder of the Black Consciousness philosophy, was killed in prison on 12 September 1977. Biko was only thirty years old, but his ideas and political activities changed the course of South African history and helped hasten the end of apartheid. The year 2007 saw the thirtieth anniversary of

Biko's death. To mark the occasion, the then Minister of Science and Technology, Dr Mosibudi Mangena, commissioned Chris van Wyk to compile an anthology of essays as a tribute to the great South African son. Among the contributors are Minister Mangena himself, ex-President Thabo Mbeki, writer Darryl Accone, journalists Lizeka Mda and Bokwe Mafuna, academics Jonathan Jansen, Mandla Seleokane and Saths Cooper, a friend of Biko's and former president of Azapo. *We Write What We Like* proudly echoes the title of Biko's seminal work, *I Write What I Like*. It is a gift to a new generation which enjoys freedom, from one that was there when this freedom was being fought for. And it celebrates the man whose legacy is the freedom to think and say and write what we like.

On 12th September 1977, Steve Biko was murdered in his prison cell. He was only 31, but his vision and charisma - captured in this collection of his work - had already transformed the agenda of South African politics. This book covers the basic philosophy of black consciousness, Bantustans, African culture, the institutional church and Western involvement in apartheid.

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The Testimony of Steve Biko

The Great African Society

The Iconography of Black Consciousness

I Write What I Like