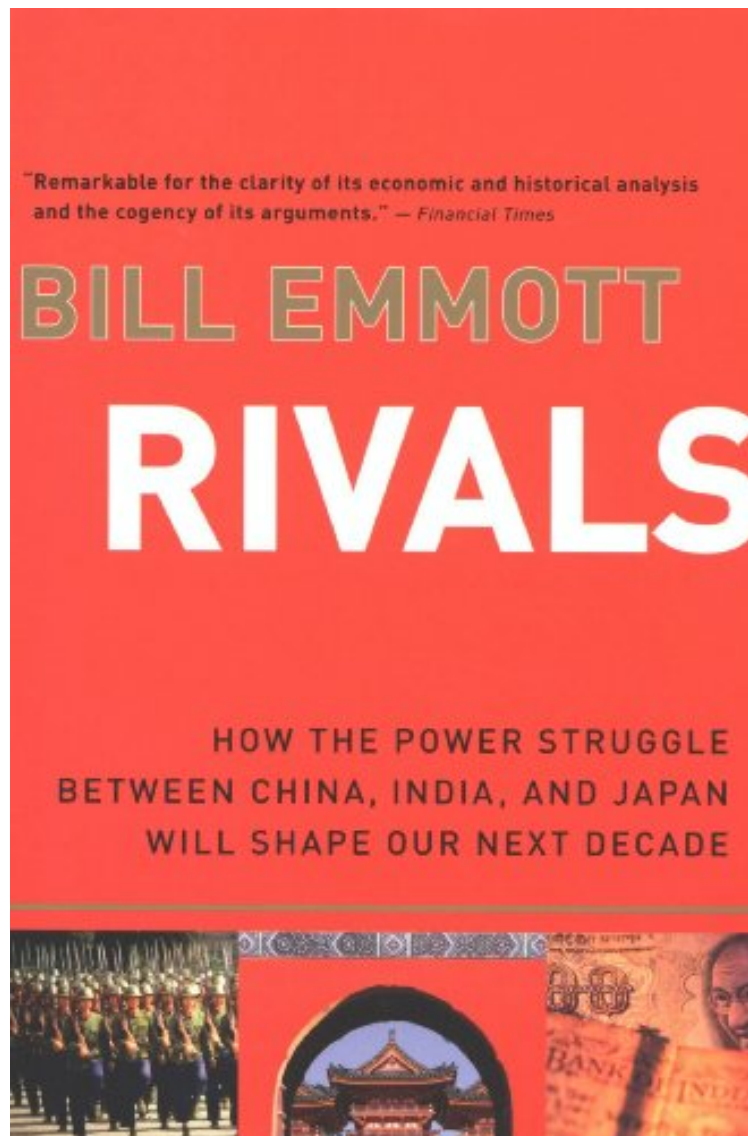


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book gives a good overview of Asia, and really made me feel more informed about the region as a whole. It was well-written, and drew on perspectives and information from a variety of sources. The one thing is how out-dated the book is now at this point. It makes a lot of predictions for the coming world of the next decade, but that world is here, seeing as this book was written in 2010.³ of 4 people found the following review helpful. An important book, but...By N. Mozahem

There is nothing like reading a book by someone who has both the theoretical and practical knowledge about the subject. Bill Emmott is an accomplished journalist that has spent a lot of time in the East talking to the right people. In this book he tells us his version about things to come. Although I do not agree with the version that he presents, that doesn't mean that I didn't enjoy the book. The author backed up his conclusions with numbers that leave little area of disagreement. Based on what he saw in the past, and what the numbers of today tell him, the author was brave enough to share with us a glimpse of the future that he believes is awaiting China, India and Japan. However, the main problem with the book is that, in my opinion, the information that the author uses to arrive at his conclusions is not the type of information that is useful in telling us where things are heading in the larger picture. The author looks at the GDP, the growth rate and the currency exchange rates and from this data he attempts to dissect the Chinese and Indian giants. The author does use historical information, but only those that go back one hundred years. Ideological differences have no place in the book. In fact, in some areas we get a glimpse of the communist goddess historical necessity dressed up as the capitalist goddess economic necessity. This Goddess will eventually force China to introduce democratic reforms due to social pressure that arises from the economic situation. It is assumed throughout this book that the world that we live in today is the final phase of a world that has been changing and transforming itself ever since man has taught himself how to farm. We are living in a capitalist world that follows the model set forth by the West, and this is how things will remain. All China and India can do is become strong partners in this world. I know that all of this is beyond the scope of this book, but what I am saying is that there are so many things that are taken for granted in this book. The book claims to inform us how the rivalry between India, China and Japan will form our future. The author's view of the future is both shortsighted and purely materialistic. I know a lot of people don't have a problem with materialistic views, but I do. Putting my above argument aside, this is a very good book and everyone interested in China and India should read it. I do believe that this book deserves four stars, but I can't ignore the fact that the author has a one dimensional outlook.¹ of 1 people found the following review helpful.

Asia as a FutureBy Michael Griswold

In *Rivals*, Bill Emmott does a good job of balancing a hard hitting analysis of the problems facing the three major Asian powers China, India, and Japan while balancing out the Western fear that Asia will become an absolute power. Emmott's analysis states quite simply that yes Asia as a continent is rising and will grow more powerful over the coming decades to the potential detriment of Western leaders who do not step out and meet the challenges of a changing world order. Still Asia is not a unstoppable tiger who is without fault or problem and Emmott does a good job of outlining these problems from the pollution to a political system forced to alter its' means of rule to changing conditions, and various territorial disputes like Tibet and various parts India-China claim equally. Japans problems include a political climate of corruption, an ageing population, and an economy recovering from collapse. India meanwhile struggles with its' own democratic political system, economic reform, and pollution. Emmott attacks these problems with an tenacity yet does not get bogged down in technical terminology debates or present an often presented doomsday and gloom scenario.

The former editor in chief of the Economist returns to the territory of his bestselling book *The Sun Also Sets* to lay out a fresh analysis of the growing rivalry between China, India, and Japan -- what it will mean for America, the global economy, and the twenty-first-century world. Closely intertwined by their fierce competition for influence, markets, resources, and strategic advantage, China, India, and Japan are shaping the world to come. Emmott explores the ways in which their sometimes bitter rivalry will play out over the next decade -- in business, global politics, military competition, and the environment -- and reveals the efforts of the United States to turn the situation to its advantage as these three powerful nations vie for dominance. This revised and updated edition of *Rivals* is an indispensable guide for anyone wishing to understand Asia's swiftly changing political and economic scene.