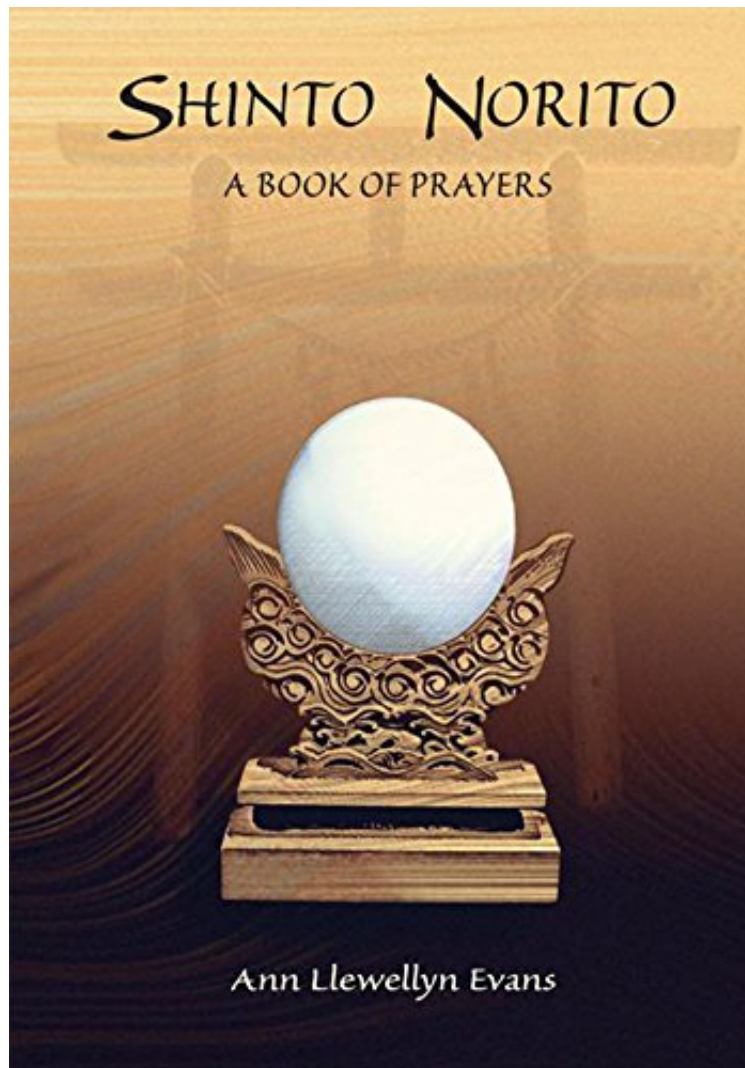


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Von Ann Llewellyn Evans : Shinto Norito : A Book of Prayers (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Shinto Norito : A Book of Prayers (English Edition):

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sehr gute Arbeit mit kleinen Schwächen - Great work with a few small problems Von Thorwald R. Evans hat mit sehr viel Liebe zum Detail eine hervorragende Arbeit geleistet. Anstatt einfach nur eine Übersetzung zu schreiben liefert Sie nebenher Romaji (lateinische Umschrift), Hiragana (Lesung der Kanji) und Kanji zu den einzelnen Gebeten. Egal ob man nun Japanisch kann oder nicht, dies ermöglicht es jedem, mit den Texten klarzukommen. Das Vorwort und der Anhang liefern tiefere Informationen zu Shinto, Norito im Allgemeinen und verwandten Themen (z.B. Schrein-

Etikette) - alles sehr lehrreich und interessant. Warum aber nur 4 Sterne? Aus zwei Gründen. Erstens: Es wäre nett gewesen, statt die Gebete einfach aufzulisten zu jedem eine kleine Einführung/Erklärung zu schreiben. In welchem Zusammenhang werden diese Gebete genutzt? Das ergibt sich zwar meist aus den Titeln, aber es würde doch helfen. Oder vielleicht ein paar Erklärungen zum Inhalt/den Zusammenhängen. Denn Norito ist nichts, das Otto-Normal-Japaner täglich benutzt, die meisten Japaner verstehen nicht mal den Inhalt, da die Sprache sehr archaisch ist. Zweitens: Zugegeben, das Buch ist von 2001, aber man sollte doch trotzdem dafür sorgen, dass Internet Links lange funktionieren. Es muss noch folgendes erwähnt werden: Dies ist ein Print-on-Demand Buch, gedruckt von Distribution in Leipzig. Ich habe bei anderen PODs viel schlechtere Druckqualität gelesen, kann das in diesem Fall aber NICHT bestätigen. Der Text ist sauber, die Seiten gerade, der Einband (Bild und Material) gut und im Text enthaltene Bilder sind gut und deutlich zu erkennen. Zur Stabilität der Bindung kann ich leider nichts sagen, da ich das Buch gerade erst gekauft habe, sie macht aber einen vernünftigen Eindruck.==English==Evans paid a lot of attention detail in creating this outstanding work. Instead of just translating it she provides Romaji (Latin transliteration), Hiragana (how to read the Kanji) and the Kanji of each prayer. So whether one can read Japanese or not, this enables everyone to properly use the text. The preface and Appendix provide more information on Shinto, Norito in general and related topics (e.g. shrine etiquette) - all in all very instructive and interesting. So why only 4 stars? For two reasons: First: It would have been nice to give a little introduction/explanation for each prayer instead of just listing them one after the other. When are these prayers used? Although this usually can be guessed from the title, it still would help. Or perhaps she could have given an explanation about the content/context, because Norito isn't something the average Japanese person uses on a daily basis. In fact, most Japanese wouldn't actually understand the content because the language is very archaic. Second: Although this book was written in 2001, the author really should take care that Internet links properly work even after a certain time has passed. One last thing that needs to be said. (This is about the book available in Germany, I don't know what happens when you buy this in the US or UK): This is a Print-on-Demand book printed by Distribution in Leipzig/Germany. I have read a lot of bad things about other PODs, but in this case I CANNOT confirm them. The text is clean, pages properly aligned, binding (image and material) good and the images found in the text are good and clearly recognizable. I can't give any details about the stability of the binding since I just bought the book, but it does seem to be good.

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