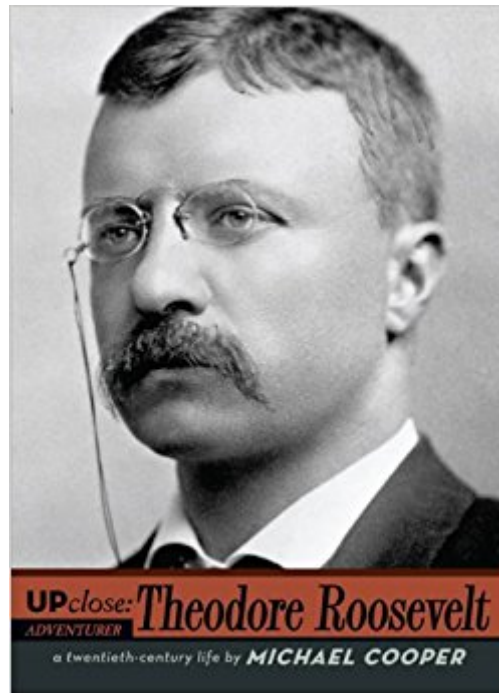




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Grade 7-10 • This trim and extremely readable biography portrays the 26th president's full and varied life. Cooper draws on many sources to weave a story of the sickly child who grew into a robust, energetic man with seemingly boundless energy. He covers various facets of TR's life: naturalist, cowboy, soldier, author, loving husband, doting father, civil servant, and unexpected (but very successful) president. While striking an admiring tone, the author stops short of painting only a glowing picture of Roosevelt. He discusses his subject's abuses of power and

often-foolhardy behavior. Colorful quotations demonstrate TR's humor and character.

Black-and-white photos and reproductions illustrate the volume. This title is more concise than Betsy Harvey Kraft's Theodore Roosevelt: Champion of the American Spirit (Clarion, 2003) or Matt Donnelly's Theodore Roosevelt: Larger Than Life (Linnet, 2002). It is a compelling summary of a man who is credited with enlarging our national parks, beginning the construction of the Panama Canal, ending a war between Russia and Japan, "busting" trusts and cracking down on corrupt big business, and being "the most popular man in America" at the end of his administration. —Lisa Crandall, formerly at Capital Area District Library, Holt, MI END

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"This trim and extremely readable biography portrays the 26th president's full and varied life." --School Library Journal

Excellent condition. Interesting book. Used for kid's school reading points. Thank you.

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