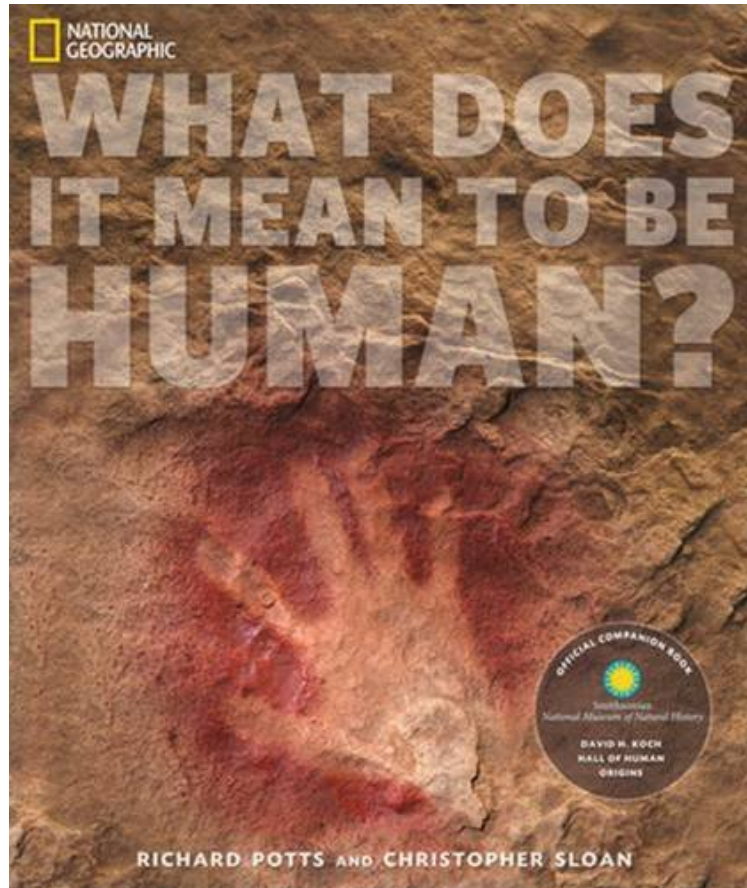


[Read free] What Does It Mean to Be Human?: Official Companion Book to the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History's David H. Koch Hall of Human Origins

What Does It Mean to Be Human?: Official Companion Book to the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History's David H. Koch Hall of Human Origins

Rick Potts, Chris Sloan

*DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub*



DOWNLOAD



+

READ ONLINE

#567965 in Books National Geographic 2010-03-09 2010-03-09 Original language: English PDF # 1 10.88 x .42 x 9.12l, 1.57 #File Name: 1426206062176 pages | File size: 23.Mb

Rick Potts, Chris Sloan : What Does It Mean to Be Human?: Official Companion Book to the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History's David H. Koch Hall of Human Origins before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised What Does It Mean to Be Human?: Official Companion Book to the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History's David H. Koch Hall of Human Origins:

15 of 16 people found the following review helpful. A Companion Book to Hall of Human Origins By Michael Valdivielso The latest and most up-to-date book there is. Which means it is already outdated. Oh well. Still, after visiting the Hall of Human Origins in the National Museum of Natural History in DC, I just had to get it. Full of wonderful pictures, images, maps to help explain one of the greatest stories ever told - the story of us. A mixture of drama, mystery, action, adventure and science! What more could you want? The best part is the book is really good for

people with just a passing interest in human evolution yet is detailed enough to make it a delight to read for people, like myself, who has more than a passing interest. Thank you Richard Potts, Christopher Sloan, and David H. Koch. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Lots of fun. By ImpressedUp to date and easily accessible review of what we know about paleontology. I wish they gave a better time line of human evolution, but I still enjoyed the book very much. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. An accurate accounting of the evolution of homo sapians. By David N. Herd. The book is well illustrated but sometimes the illustrations seem like page fillers. Scientifically accurate about evolution and how man evolved.

This generously illustrated book tells the story of the human family, showing how our species physical traits and behaviors evolved over millions of years as our ancestors adapted to dramatic environmental changes. In *What Does It Mean to Be Human?* Rick Potts, director of the Smithsonian's Human Origins Program, and Chris Sloan, National Geographic's paleoanthropology expert, delve into our distant past to explain when, why, and how we acquired the unique biological and cultural qualities that govern our most fundamental connections and interactions with other people and with the natural world. Drawing on the latest research, they conclude that we are the last survivors of a once-diverse family tree, and that our evolution was shaped by one of the most unstable eras in Earth's environmental history. The book presents a wealth of attractive new material especially developed for the Halls displays, from life-like reconstructions of our ancestors sculpted by the acclaimed John Gurche to photographs from National Geographic and Smithsonian archives, along with informative graphics and illustrations. In coordination with the exhibit opening, the PBS program NOVA will present a related three-part television series, and the museum will launch a website expected to draw 40 million visitors.

The book will highlight studies from around the world on human evolution, including more than 20 years of Potts' own extraordinary field research. As a companion to the exhibition, the book will delve deeper into the discoveries that link the evolution of human traits to dramatic climate change over millions of years of Earth's ancient history, and it will also provide enriched context for the Human Origins Initiative's many program elements. Health Business Week About the Author Chris Sloan is senior editor and the director of mission projects at National Geographic magazine. He is a specialist at developing stories on archaeology, paleoanthropology, and paleontology. Rick Potts is director of the Smithsonian's human origins program and curator of anthropology at the National Museum of Natural History.