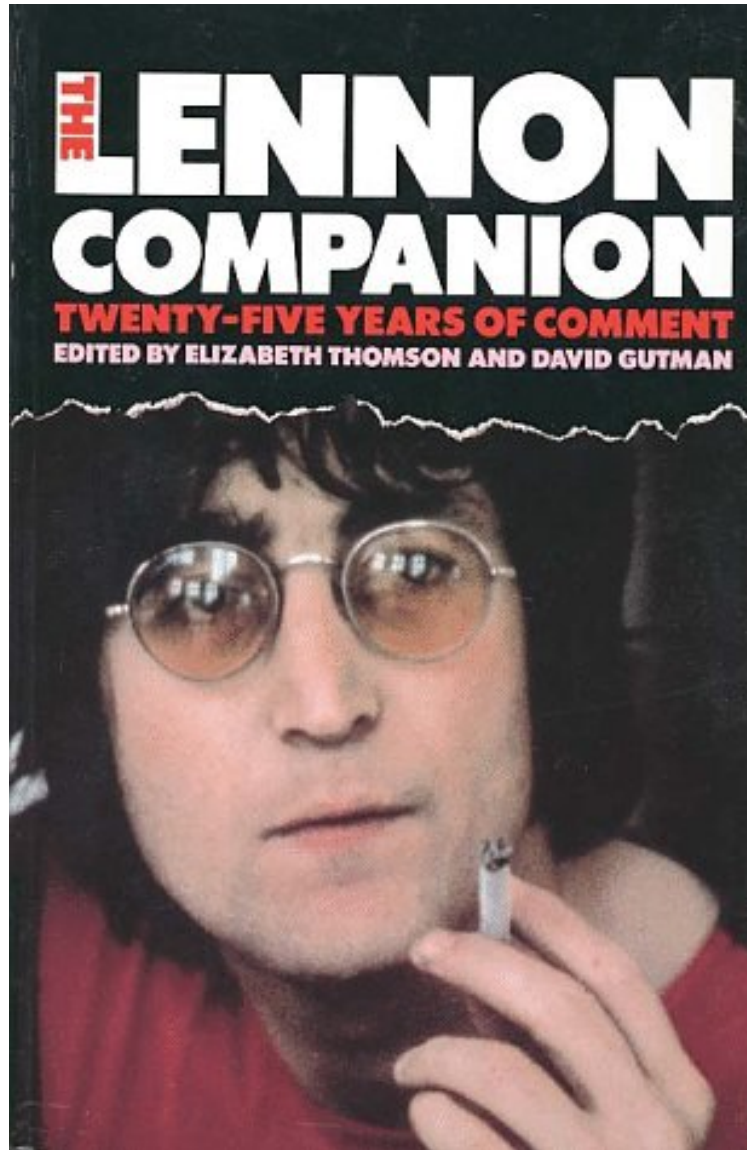


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great. Sadly no book can capture the complex human being that was John Lennon. John had a different way of seeing things and if you didn't actually know him you could easily misinterpret something he said or did. For me I am no longer going to read any more books about John. I get very upset when people assume or twist things around. Besides it is thirty-six years this December and it really is enough now. I'm extremely lucky my memores are very special and my own.<sup>3</sup> of 5 people found the following review helpful. A Grab Bag (One) of LennonianBy jsrosen@rainbow-media.comThis constantly engaging volume offers a grab bag of John Lennon "stuff" from the early days through his 1980 murder. For one thing, it destroys the myth that there was no insightful writing done about John or The Beatles prior to 1968 or so. Articles by Gloria Steinem and Tom Wolfe from 1964 prove both entertaining and prophetic. As well, the book contains some great obscure interviews with John Yoko; thus John's voice is as well represented as those of others writing about him. This is a must for serious Lennon fans, and a good read for casual ones.<sup>0</sup> of 2 people found the following review helpful. CuriousBy A CustomerThis is an odd collection of commentary on and by Lennon, sometimes boring or missing the point. However, it is interesting to note how some things were received in their day, and the introductory essay from the Boston Phoenix is the most perceptive thing I've ever read about Lennon - apart from Lennon's own massive Playboy and Rolling Stone interviews, which are not included here. Fortunately, we do get the Maureen Cleave article from the 1966 Daily Mail. All in all this collection is somewhat random (as are its chosen illustrations), but interesting.

Preferring Paul to John was like preferring Cliff Richard to Elvis Presley, or Donovan to Dylan. John was the leader; he was his own man.-Martin Amis

"Hipsters and highbrows alike have their say in the ultimate John Lennon book."About the AuthorELIZABETH THOMSON, born in London in 1957, read music at Liverpool University. She edited *Conclusions on the Wall: New Essays on Bob Dylan* and has contributed to various publications, including *Woman's Journal*, *Melody Maker*, *History of Rock*, *The Listener*, *The Times* and *Books and Bookmen*. She as broadcast on radio, both in Britain and abroad, and is currently a staff writer for *Publishing News*. DAVID GUTMAN, born in London in 1957, studied history at St John's College, Cambridge and libraianship at North London Polytechnic. He has written for *Brio* and *Books and Bookmen* and contributed various record sleeve notes. He is the author of an illustrated biography of Prokofiev.