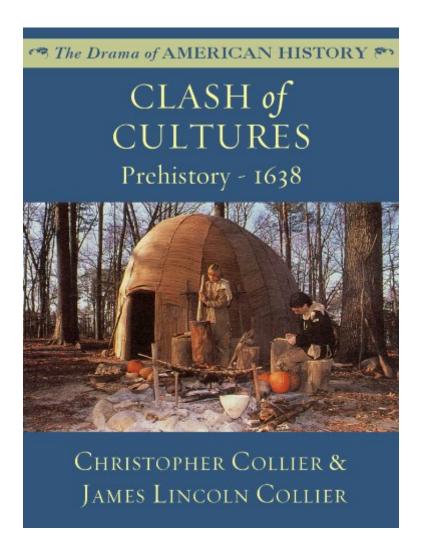
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Customer Reviews

This book is a great read for a child of about 10 or so. It gives the background information and

cultural details necessary for a child to understand how Europeans came to dominate North America. The only thing I didn't like was the authors' description of Native American parenting practices as 'indulgent' simply because babies were carried around by their mothers and children weren't spanked. The word 'indulgent' has somewhat negative connotations, but I don't feel that non-violent parenting and keeping a baby with its mother (how else would a Native American baby have gotten fed?) deserve to be viewed as indulgent. Just a minor thing, but something I noticed. :)

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