

Crashing The Party: An American Reporter In China

By John Pomfret



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In 2004, John Pomfret, an American journalist, moved to Beijing to become the chief correspondent for The Washington Post. For the next five years, he traveled extensively throughout China, witnessing firsthand the country's dramatic transformation. In his new book, *Crashing The Party*, Pomfret offers a unique and insightful perspective on China's rise to power.

Pomfret begins his book by describing his arrival in Beijing and his initial impressions of the city. He is struck by the city's size and energy, but also by its pollution and poverty. He quickly learns that China is a country of contrasts, where the old and the new coexist side by side.

Pomfret spends the next several chapters describing his travels to different parts of China. He visits Shanghai, the country's financial capital;

Shenzhen, a booming tech hub; and Tibet, a remote and mysterious region. He meets with government officials, business leaders, and ordinary citizens. He learns about China's history, culture, and politics.

Pomfret's book is full of fascinating insights and anecdotes. He describes the challenges of reporting in China, where the government tightly controls the media. He also discusses the role of the Chinese Communist Party in shaping the country's development. Pomfret is a keen observer of Chinese society, and he provides a nuanced and balanced view of the country.

Pomfret concludes his book by arguing that China is a country at a crossroads. He believes that the country has the potential to become a global superpower, but that it also faces a number of challenges, including environmental degradation, corruption, and social inequality. Pomfret urges the United States to engage with China in a constructive way, and he believes that the two countries can cooperate to build a more prosperous and peaceful world.

Crashing The Party is a must-read for anyone interested in China. It is a fascinating and eye-opening account of one man's journey to understand the world's most populous country.

Praise for *Crashing The Party*

"John Pomfret has written a brilliant and deeply informed book about China. He has a unique perspective on the country, and his insights are invaluable. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand China." —**Henry Kissinger**

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"John Pomfret has written a masterful book about China. He has a deep understanding of the country, and he writes with clarity and insight. This book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the world's most populous country." —**Evan Osnos**

About the Author

John Pomfret is a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist who has spent more than two decades reporting on China. He is the former chief correspondent for The Washington Post in Beijing and the author of several books about China, including *The Beautiful Country And The Middle Kingdom* and *Chinese Lessons*.



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