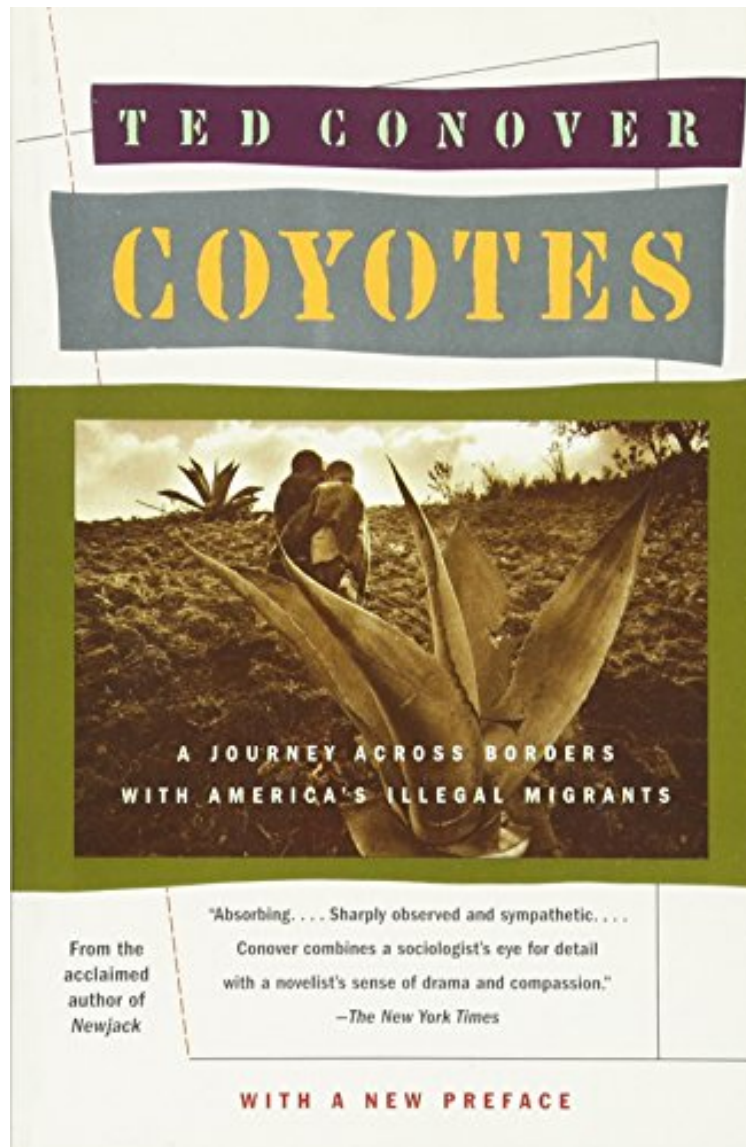


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Cher Right book for my son's class. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Tuth about Border life and Migrants By Gary York I was born in El Paso, Texas only

one mile from Juarez, Mexico. I grew up in Las Cruces, New Mexico. As a child I would ask my Mother to make sandwiches for the illegal Migrants working in the fields next to our home in Brazito. Ted Conover tells it as I remember it being before I joined the Army and moved away from home. I am becoming a big fan of Mr. Conover after reading this book and his other book "New Jack". Mr. Conover tells things the way they are and lives what he writes about. I think everyone should read this book and learn that Migrants from Mexico are just hard working people trying to earn a living and make money for their families. From Mexico through the United States I know you will enjoy this book. *Corruption Behind Bars: Stories of Crime and Corruption In Our American Prison System*. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Well Researched; Well Written By Avid Reader Rather than sitting in an office reading books or conducting economic studies, this author puts his boots on and goes to where the immigrants live, work and travel. Yes, the author travels with groups of illegal immigrants on their way to jobs in the United States. He spends a considerable amount of time in a Mexican village getting to know the culture and the motivation behind their lives. He spends time working in a camp of migrant agricultural workers in both Arizona and Florida. The research is hands on. He documents the struggles, the culture, the admirable qualities of the people as well as the not so admirable qualities of the people and their culture. This book is written by someone who walked many miles in these people's moccasins. But it's outdated. This book, although only a few years old, is for historical purposes only. After 9/11 crossing the border has changed significantly. Given the difficulties the people described in this book had over a decade ago, one can only imagine that their lives have been made even more difficult by recent government policies and public opinion.

To discover what becomes of Mexicans who come illegally to the United States, Conover disguised himself as an illegal alien, traveling and working across America for more than a year. This is the chronicle of his journey. Ted Conover lived the bizarre life of the Mexican illegals. There is a sub-terrestrial world of high-wire tensions, of brutal police, of sinister smugglers . . . A devastating document, this one must be read. Leon Uris

From Publishers Weekly This first title in the Vintage Departures series ("devoted to exploring the vastness of the world, of one's life, or even of one's own backyard") focuses on the world of illegal aliens. Conover, author of *Rolling Nowhere*, posed as an immigrant, crossing the border twice and learning first-hand about "coyotes" those who sneak Mexicans and other Latin Americans across the border, often under murderous conditions. Menaced by hoods, arrested, freed, forced to dodge spotter planes, Conover spent a year, as he puts it, "working, drinking, smoking, driving, sleeping, sweating and shivering with Mexicans." His conclusion: "It is urgent that we know more about these people who ask little more than to wash our dishes, vacuum our cars, and pick our fruit." This well-written, anecdotal account offers an intimate glimpse of the United States from a perspective few citizens are aware of. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc. From School Library Journal YA The title refers to the name given to those people who smuggle illegal aliens into the United States. Conover lived among the people who pay "coyotes" enormous sums of money to be brought into this country secretly under conditions that are full of physical threat. The most touching part of the book is the description of Conover's visit to Ahua catlan, the province from which many of the men he has met come. Here he witnesses what has happened to the families left behind. While the money the men have earned has resulted in some improvement, there is still enormous poverty in their lives, and their home life is drifting toward disintegration. There is humor, too, including a hilarious episode in which several men pool enough money together to fly from Mexico to Los Angeles but must find the appropriate clothing and behaviors to avoid arousing suspicions by "La Migra." Conover has done a good job of capturing the difficult lives of these men who want only to earn a decent wage to support their families. Barbara Weathers, Duchesne Academy, Houston Copyright 1988 Cahners Business Information, Inc. From Library Journal Conover, author of an earlier book on hobos, studies Mexican illegal aliens by living their life and crossing the border with them. His book is similar to John Davidson's *The Long Journey North* (LJ 10/15/79), but Conover takes dangerous personal risks, spends more time with his contacts, covers a larger group of Mexicans, and ranges across Idaho, Arizona, and Florida as he describes how these people migrate within the United States. His experiences in central Mexico effectively capture the immigrant's impact on his own rural community, although one wishes for deeper personal insights into his subjects' motivations. An eminently readable and revealing account. Highly recommended. Roderic A. Camp, Latin American Studies Dept., Central Coll., Pella, Ia . Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc.