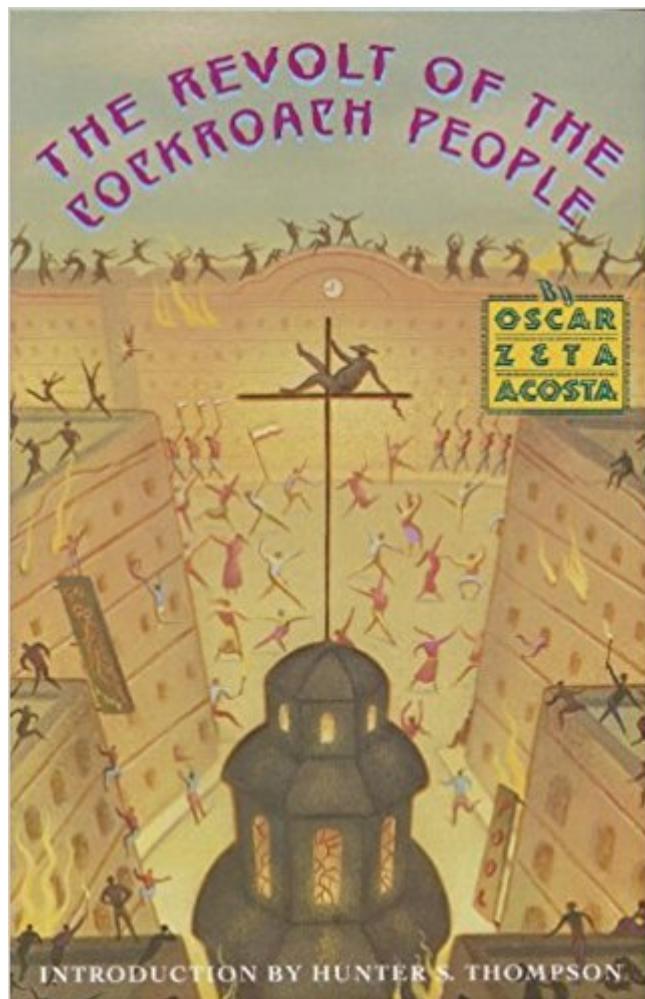


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I needed the book for a course, I received the book on time, in perfect condition. Love-hated the main character omg. Great read.

This book was very entertaining, and an interesting look into the militant Chicano movement in L.A. I do think that a reader should know something about the broader Chicano movement in order to appreciate the book's value. I highly recommend the read, but do be aware that the book does not represent the entire Chicano movement (during that time period or now). For example, there are many parts of the book that could be critiqued from a feminist perspective.

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