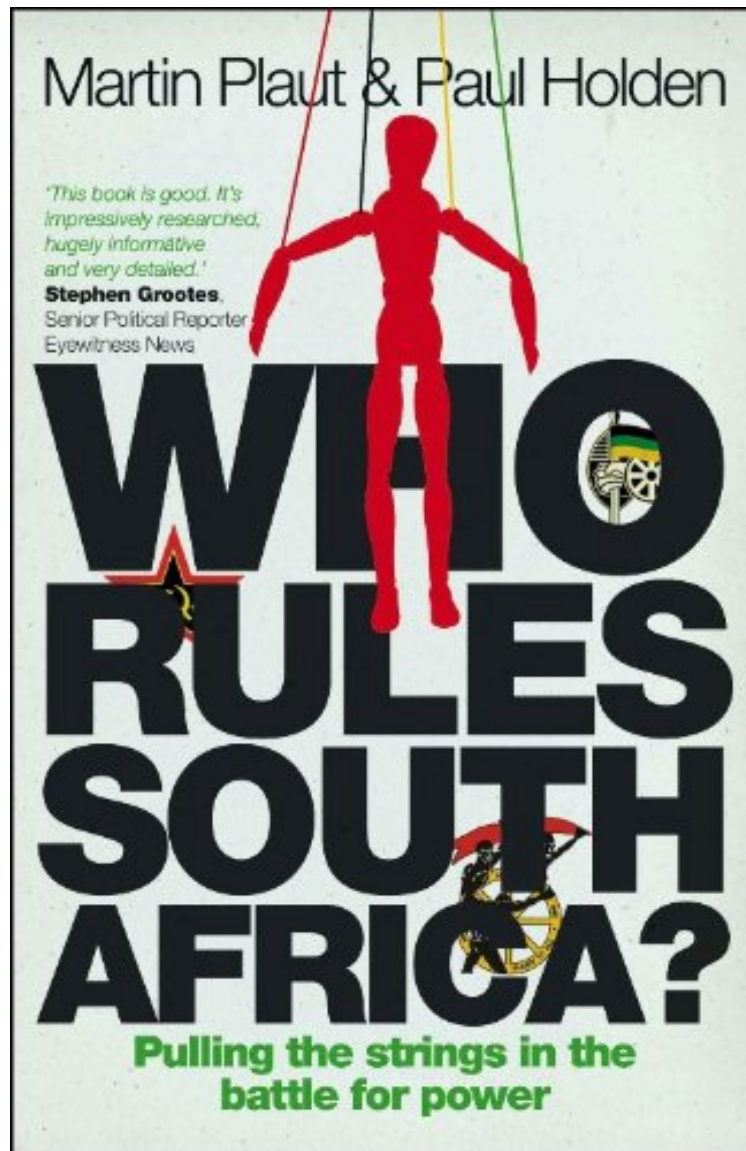


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lips: will South Africa be another tragedy or is there reason to hope for a stable, democratic society? The very style and nature of the book leaves it open to readers who know, or think they know, something about post-apartheid South Africa, and those who are looking to learn. It is careful to break down its argument, whilst still undergoing a painstakingly researched and high level of analysis and argument. I don't know whether enjoyable is the right word, but if you're interested in South African politics then this is the book for you. Would argue too that book has lessons to impart not just for SA, but rather it is also a warning against one party states and the cancers of cronyism and corruption. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Well Written and Well Argued. Von SamI bought and read this book after listening to the authors give a lecture on the subject at SOAS. Although the book is obviously about SA, it also provides a general warning against one party states, political corruption and governments being swayed too much by unions and big business. The book is a mix of both history and politics. As well as having conducted lots of interviews with ordinary South Africans, the book also focuses in on big personalities like Zuma. Book is not wholly pessimistic, though it may bring home some inconvenient truths to supporters of the ANC. Who Rules South Africa? Is well written and well argued

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