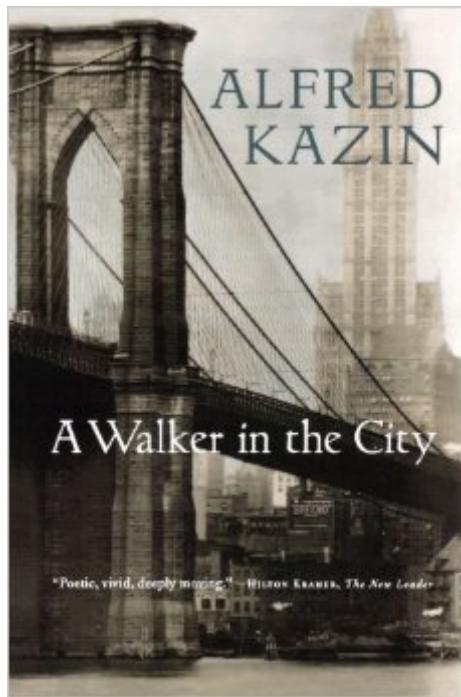


The book was found

A Walker In The City



Synopsis

Kazinâ™s memorable description of his life as a young man as he makes the journey from Brooklyn to âœamericancaâ—the larger world that begins at the other end of the subway in Manhattan. A classic portrayal of the Jewish immigrant culture of the 1930s. Drawings by Marvin Bileck.

Book Information

Series: Harvest Book

Paperback: 192 pages

Publisher: Harcourt Brace Jovanovich; 1 edition (March 19, 1969)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0156941767

ISBN-13: 978-0156941761

Product Dimensions: 5.2 x 0.5 x 8 inches

Shipping Weight: 9.1 ounces (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 starsÂ See all reviewsÂ (30 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #164,859 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #23 inÂ Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Regional & Cultural > Jewish #94 inÂ Books > Biographies & Memoirs > Regional U.S. > Mid Atlantic #133 inÂ Books > Literature & Fiction > History & Criticism > Genres & Styles > Poetry

Customer Reviews

One of the most respected literary critics this country has produced, Kazin made a significant contribution to the literature of the American immigrant with "Walker in the City." This demanding autobiography of his youth in the Brownsville section of Brooklyn vividly recreates the life of pre-Depression and Depression Jews for whom Manhattan, though just miles away, represented a faraway land filled with mystery and fear. It is the world outside of Brownsville that looms over the book and the spirit of its narrator. Kazin successfully captures the yearning for new experiences that filled his heart as he grew up in the streets. It was that yearning that led him to the public library and ultimately across the bridges and out of the Brooklyn borough. It was also that yearning that made him wonder about a world that was not filled with Jews. The mystery of the lands that lay beyond Brownsville's streets fills the book with a sense of tension. We can almost feel the young Kazin's heart burst as he begins to sense the vastness of the world. "Beyond! Beyond!" the narrator shouts, and prose turns into poetry in many passages of the book as he seeks to express the mixture of

fear and exhilaration stirring within him. One chapter, "The Kitchen," has been frequently anthologized, and rightfully so. It is a meditation on the room in which his mother spent much of her time working on the sewing she took in to make extra money. In the end, his mother's constant pounding on the foot treadle of the sewing machine comes to the author to represent the fire burning within her -- to achieve, to make a better life for her son, to survive in a strange new land where this exiled Jewish woman is once again a stranger.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The World Walker (The World Walker Series Book 1) Release!: A Walker Brothers Novel (The Walker Brothers Book 1) A Walker in the City Pop-Up NYC Map by VanDam - City Street Map of New York City, New York - Laminated folding pocket size city travel and subway map, 2016 Edition (Pop-Up Map) Walker's Runners (Lorimer Sports Stories) Walker Evans (Spanish Edition) Stone Rain (Zack Walker Book 4) The World Has Changed: Conversations with Alice Walker J.A. Jance Series Reading Order: Series List - In Order: J.P. Beaumont series, Joana Brady Mysteries series, Ali Reynolds series, Walker Family series (Listastik Series Reading Order Book 13) Star Wars Miniatures AT-At Imperial Walker Colossal Pack (1 Colossal Figure & Battle Grid) WILLIAM WALKER ATKINSON PREMIUM 7 BOOK COLLECTION: SUCCESS, CONCENTRATION, AUTOSUGGESTION & MENTAL INFLUENCE (Timeless Wisdom Collection 160) Big Blow: A Tale From Ocean City (Ocean City Mysteries Book 3) The Ancient Maya and Their City of Tulum: Uncovering the Mysteries of an Ancient Civilization and Their City of Grandeur Mexico City, Mexico, 2016 Edition City Map (Spanish Edition) The City & The City Garden City: Work, Rest, and the Art of Being Human. Kids Say Don't Smoke: Posters from the New York City Pro-Health Ad Contest Zectas Volume IV: The Salubrious City of Centzo Eat Saigon: The Local Restaurant and Food Guide to Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (My Saigon Book 3) Nashville Eats: Hot Chicken, Buttermilk Biscuits, and 100 More Southern Recipes from Music City

[Dmca](#)