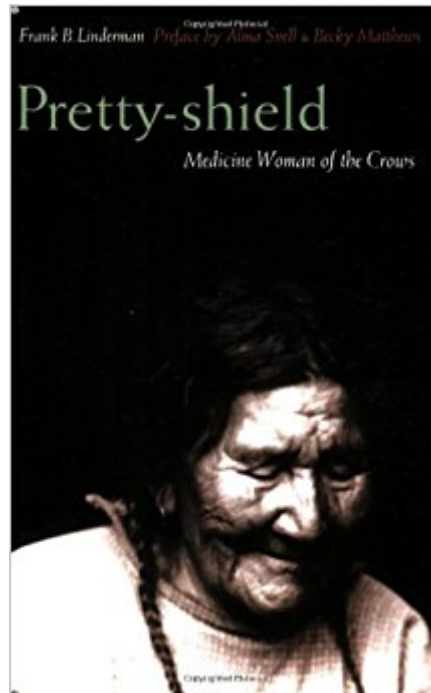




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I wish this book were longer! For anyone seeking a little insight into Native American history, this book is perfect. Pretty shield tells her story in such a way that you feel as if you were there.

I bought this book for a class, but I became enamored in the story of Pretty - Shield. It was a perspective that I had never seen before and I am more enlightened for it

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