

Critical Jewish Views

Suggested Titles

Ellis, Marc. **O, Jerusalem**. Minneapolis: Augsburg Fortress Publishers, 2000. ("In his latest book Marc Ellis [University Professor of American and Jewish Studies and the founding director of the Center for Jewish Studies at Baylor University] asks the defining question for Jewish life today: 'Can injustice, represented by Jewish domination of Jerusalem, be at the heart of the covenant?' Ellis's answer is that the covenant of Israel with God has been shattered by the creation of a state at the expense of Palestinian life in the land. It can only be renewed by a new ethic and practice of justice that reconcile these two people, who have become irrevocably linked together in the land, either for good or for ill." – Rosemary Radford Ruether)

Rosen, Brant. **Wrestling in the Daylight: A Rabbi's Path to Palestinian Solidarity**, 2nd ed. Just World Books, 2017. ("If you want to understand the inner struggle of American Jews about Israel, this is a must read." —Rabbi Michael Lerner, editor, *Tikkun magazine*. "Wrestling in the Daylight is a must read. It offers a unique opportunity for Jews and non-Jews alike to follow the evolution in thinking of a deeply spiritual Jewish rabbi as he breaks with long-cherished beliefs about Zionism and embraces the liberation of the Palestinians." —Medea Benjamin, author and co-founder, CODEPINK for Peace "Wrestling in the Daylight is a work of extraordinary moral reckoning from America's bravest rabbi." —Ben Ehrenreich, author, *The Way to the Spring: Life and Death in Palestine* "In *Wrestling in the Daylight*, Rosen patiently challenges the ways so many in the Jewish community seek to bend Judaism's liberationist themes to the goal of justifying Israeli repression. His intervention is a revolutionary and prophetic act." —Adam Horowitz, co-editor, Mondoweiss.net "A heroic rabbi who risked a great deal to stand in solidarity with the people of Palestine and in support of justice and peace in the region; one of the righteous voices that demonstrate the true meaning of Judaism, transcending tribal identities and committed to social justice and human love." —Naomi Wolf, author, social critic and political activist)

Peled, Miko. **The General's Son: Journey of an Israeli in Palestine**. Forward by Alice Walker. Charlottesville, VA: Just World Books, 2012. ("The book provides a compelling and intimate window into the fears that haunt both peoples — but also into the real courage of all those who, like Miko Peled, have been pursuing a steadfast grassroots struggle for equality for all residents in the Holy Land." — Just World / "There are few books on the Israel/Palestine issue that seem as hopeful to me as this one." —Alice Walker)

Shatz, Adam, ed. **Prophets Outcast: A Century of Dissident Jewish Writing About Zionism and Israel.** New York: Nation, 2004. (“Contrary to the claims of the American Jewish establishment and the Israel lobby, Jews do not speak with one voice about the Middle East. Since the early twentieth century some of the fiercest and most eloquent critiques of Israel and Zionism have been made by Jewish thinkers. They have hailed from political and intellectual traditions—Zionism (Hannah Arendt), anti-Zionism (Maxim Rodinson), anarchism (Noam Chomsky), and Marxism (I. F. Stone). Unconditional supporters of the state of Israel have denounced them as heretics. Yet in the midst of the violence engulfing Palestine and Israel, their warnings about the Zionist project, with its vision of an ethnically pure Jewish state, have never seemed more prescient. These prophet outcasts speak out as individuals in a wilderness, proposing solutions to the question of Palestine that range from a two-state solution to socialist internationalism. What links them is an understanding that Israeli policies have been a disaster not only for Palestinians, but for Jews as well. As Jews, they express a recognition of the tragic thread that connects the Palestinian catastrophe to the Holocaust, the destruction of European Jewry that made Israel possible, and that led many Jews to view Zionism as their only salvation.” —*The Nation*)

Related Titles

Abarbanel, Avigail. **Beyond Tribal Loyalties: Personal Stories of Jewish Peace Activists.** Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2012. (“*Beyond Tribal Loyalties* is a unique collection of twenty-five personal stories of Jewish peace activists from Australia, Canada, Israel, the United Kingdom and the United States....Like many Jews, most of the contributors were once unquestioning supporters of Israel and Zionism. Something happened in the life of each of these extraordinary people that caused them to question and re-evaluate their understanding of the conflict and their relationship with Israel and the Palestinian people....*Beyond Tribal Loyalties* seeks to discover what makes it possible for Jewish peace activists to follow through with this transformative journey and their activist work, despite fanatical and sometimes violent opposition. This is an inspiring book....” —Cambridge Scholars Publishing)

Adelfang, Ossie Gabriel. **Shifting Sands: Jewish Women Confront the Israeli Occupation.** Bellevue: Whole World Press, 2010. (“*Shifting Sands* combines 14 women’s stories into a collage of unbearable loss, incredible strength, and a belief in the unwavering power of truth. The collection invites readers to enter into these women’s journeys and join them in the quest for justice and a lasting peace. Contributing Authors: Anna Baltzer, Sandra Butler, Tomi Laine Clark, Linda Dittmar, Kim Goldberg, Susan Greene, Hedy Epstein, Maia Ettinger, Jen Marlowe, Hannah Mermelstein, Emma Rosenthal, Alice Rothchild, Starhawk.” —Whole World Press)

Aviv, Caryn and David Shneer. **New Jews: The End of the Jewish Diaspora.** New York: New York University Press, 2005. (“For many contemporary Jews, Israel no longer serves as the Promised Land, the center of the Jewish universe and the place of final destination. In *New Jews*, Caryn Aviv and David Shneer provocatively argue that there is a new generation of Jews who don’t consider themselves to be eternally wandering, forever outsiders within their communities and seeking to one day find their homeland. Instead, these New Jews are at home, whether it be in Buenos Aires, San Francisco or Berlin, and are rooted within communities of their own choosing. Aviv and Shneer argue that Jews have come to the end of their diaspora; wandering no more, today’s Jews are settled.” —NYU Press)

Baltzer, Anna. **Witness in Palestine: a Jewish Woman in the Occupied Territories.** Updated and rev. ed. Boulder, CO: Paradigm Publishers, 2007. (“Even those familiar with the grim reality of the occupied territories will quickly be drawn into a world they had barely imagined by these vivid, searingly honest, intensely acute portrayals of unflagging courage, wanton cruelty, and enduring faith that through non-violent resistance fundamental decency will somehow prevail an outcome that lies very much in our hands. I cannot find words to express my admiration for the solidarity workers and peacemakers, international and Israeli, and the people of Palestine whom they are supporting in their struggles to survive and to overcome. --Noam Chomsky With photos, maps and exquisite prose, Anna Baltzer’s memoir transports readers into the unfathomable reality of occupation, while inspiring hope for the future of Palestine. Baltzer’s dedication and steadfast commitment are evident in the breadth of her encounters with various forms of the Occupation. From settlement violence and wanton arrests of young men to environmental destruction, she interweaves her personal chronicles with astute analysis of the larger context in which these assaults are taking place. Her profound and penetrating insight offers an important and timely perspective on the role internationals have in Palestine’s struggle. --Dr. Mustafa Barghouti, Palestinian physician, nonviolence activist, and presidential candidate Anna Baltzer is among the most remarkable people I’ve had the good fortune to meet while writing and speaking on the Israel-Palestine conflict. She’s smart, she’s genuine and she’s indefatigable. Her personal odyssey of discovery and commitment chronicled in *Witness in Palestine* is also the story of many young Jews who now find it impossible to defend the indefensible in Israel and Palestine. This honest, engaging and at times provocative memoir is a call to action for us all at a time when it is more critical than ever to end the occupation and Israeli impunity. --Norman Finkelstein)

Beinart, Peter. **The Crisis of Zionism.** New York: Henry Holt, 2012. (“Peter Beinart has written the outstanding Zionist statement for the twenty-first century. *The Crisis of Zionism* is a courageously scathing critique of the sorry state of Zionism today and a clarion call to reaffirm the linkage of liberal values, Jewish commitment, and democratic practice that made the creation of the state of Israel possible and is the key to its moral and physical survival.” —Naomi Chazan, former deputy speaker of the Knesset and president of the New Israel Fund.)

Carey, Roane and Jonathan Shainin, eds. **The Other Israel: Voices of Refusal and Dissent.** New Press, 2004. (“The Other Israel is an urgent and passionate intervention by Israeli citizens challenging the continued occupation of Palestinian territory and the failed policies of Ariel Sharon’s government. Against a backdrop of increasing violence on both sides, the book presents a broad range of dissenting voices that articulate practical, legal, and moral objections to the occupation. Written from within the throes of the unfolding tragedy, it includes contributions from journalists, novelists, activists, military reservists, and former government officials. Needed now more than ever, this book challenges narrow American perceptions of public opinion in Israel and will act as a catalyst in prompting vital debate about the future of Israel and the path to peace for all citizens of the Middle East. Contributors include: Shulamit Aloni, Uri Avnery, Ami Ayalon, Meron Benvenisti, Michael Ben-Yair, Yigal Bronner, Neta Golan and Ian Urbina, Neve Gordon, David Grossman, Jeff Halper, Amira Hass Baruch, Kimmerling, Aviv Lavie Shamai, Leibowitz, Gideon Levy, Yitzhak Loar, Ishai Menuchin, Adi Ophir, Assaf Oron, Ilan Pappé, Tanya Reinhart, Avi Shlaim, Yigal Shochat, Ze’ev Sternhell, Gila Svirsky, Sergio Yahni” —Amazon)

Davis, Uri. **Apartheid Israel: Possibilities for the Struggle Within**. London, New York: Zed Books, 2003. (“Uri Davis is a Jewish citizen of Israel and holds a PhD in Philosophical Anthropology. Davis is a founder of MAIAP (the Movement Against Israeli Apartheid in Palestine). His book describes how the legal system regulates apartheid in Israel and how the State of Israel defined legally as ‘a Jewish and democratic state’ is an oxymoron.” —Foreword, p. xii)

Ellis, Marc. **Judaism Does Not Equal Israel: The Rebirth of the Jewish Prophetic**. New York: New Press, 2009. (“Reviewing the historical record of the past sixty years and envisioning the prospects for a just and lasting peace, Ellis makes an unyielding case—based on the most cherished Jewish values—that the present policies of the Israeli state cannot reasonably be defended. The future not only of Judaism but of Israel itself, he argues, hinges on a fundamental shift in Israel’s treatment of the Palestinians and on a completely new direction in the peace process. —New Press)

Farber, Seth. **Radicals, Rabbis and Peacemakers: Conversations with Jewish Critics of Israel**. Monroe, ME: Common Courage Press, 2005. (“[A] ray of piercing truth, amid the darkness that lays claim to our world, from Tel Aviv to Washington.” —Rev. Daniel Berrigan)

Feuerlicht, Roberta Strauss. **The Fate of the Jews: A People Torn Between Israeli Power and Jewish Ethics**. New York: Times Books, 1983. (“Analyzing the political, historical, and moral heritage of the Jews, this book demonstrates the Jews' historical alignment of the political right and argues that all Jews must accept their moral obligations to ensure their people's survival.” —Amazon)

Finkelstein, Norman. **Knowing Too Much: Why the American Jewish Romance with Israel is Coming to an End**. New York, NY: Or Books, 2012. (“Knowing Too Much sets the work of defenders of Israel such as Jeffrey Goldberg, Michael Oren, Dennis Ross and Benny Morris against the historical record, showing their claims to be increasingly tendentious. As growing numbers of American Jews come to see the speciousness of the arguments behind such apologies and recognize Israel’s record as simply indefensible, Finkelstein points to the opening of new possibilities for political advancement in a region that for decades has been stuck fast in a gridlock of injustice and suffering.” — OR Books / “A very impressive, learned and careful scholar.” — Avi Shlaim, professor, International Relations, Oxford University / Excerpts from Finkelstein’s chapter on Benny Morris, titled “History by Subtraction,” are available online: Norman Finkelstein, “How Benny Morris transformed a patriotic struggle into a ‘holy war’ for ‘sacred Islamic soil.” ---*Mondoweiss*, April 17, 2012.)

Gorenberg, Gershom. **The Unmaking of Israel**. New York: Harper Perennial, 2011. “At the core of the book lies a terrifying analogy: Israel as Pakistan, a country whose government has empowered a lawless, fanatical religious movement now subverting the very state that empowered it. Is the analogy apt today? No, but Gorenberg makes a frighteningly convincing case that it might be soon.” -- Peter Beinart, *Newsweek* “Until I read *The Unmaking of Israel*, I didn’t think it could be possible to feel more despairing, and then more terribly hopeful, about Israel, a place that I began at last, under the spell of Gershom Gorenberg’s lucid and dispassionate yet intensely personal writing, to understand.” --Michael Chabon)

Hart, Alan. **Zionism, the Real Enemy of the Jews. Vol. 1, False Messiah. Vol. 2, From David to Goliath. Vol. 3. Conflict Without End.** Atlanta, GA: Clarity Press, 2009-2010. ("In this extraordinary book, Alan Hart has succeeded in elucidating for us the immediate and long term dangers involved in the unconditional Western support for Zionism and its oppressive policies against the Palestinians. The author provides us with a chilling exposure of how this embrace developed and continues to endanger the Jewish existence and fuels the anti-Semitism that refuses to disappear. Motivated by a genuine concern for peace in Israel and Palestine and beyond in the world at large, Alan Hart has written not only a strong indictment of Zionism, based on both research and personal experience, but also provided us with a charter for a better future..." Ilan Pappé, Israel's leading revisionist historian and author of *The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine* "In this extraordinary book, Alan Hart has succeeded in elucidating for us the immediate and long term dangers involved in the unconditional Western support for Zionism and its oppressive policies against the Palestinians. The author provides us with a chilling exposure of how this embrace developed and continues to endanger the Jewish existence and fuels the anti-Semitism that refuses to disappear. Motivated by a genuine concern for peace in Israel and Palestine and beyond in the world at large, Alan Hart has written not only a strong indictment of Zionism, based on both research and personal experience, but also provided us with a charter for a better future." --Clare Short, MP-UK and International Development Secretary in Tony Blair's government until her resignation over Iraq)

Karpf, Anne, Brian Klug, Jacqueline Rose, Barbara Rosenbaum, eds. **A Time to Speak Out: Independent Jewish Voices on Israel, Zionism and Jewish Identity.** London: Verso, 2008. ("Jewish voices challenge the terms of the Israel/Palestine debate. In *A Time to Speak Out*, a collection of strong Jewish voices come together to explore some of the most challenging issues facing diaspora Jews. With articles on such topics as international law, the Holocaust, varieties of Zionism, self-hatred, the multiplicity of Jewish identities, and human rights, these essays provide powerful evidence of the vitality of independent Jewish opinion as well as demonstrating that criticism of Israel has a crucial role to play in the continuing history of a Jewish concern for social justice." —Verso)

Kidron, Peretz, ed. Foreword by Susan Sontag. **Refusenik! Israel's Soldiers of Conscience.** New York: Zed Books, 2004. ("Hundreds of Israeli soldiers, called up to take part in controversial campaigns like the 1982 invasion of Lebanon or policing duties in the Palestinian territories today, have refused orders. Many of these 'refuseniks' have faced prison sentences rather than take part in what they regard as an unjust occupation in defence of illegal Jewish settlements. Peretz Kidron, himself a refusenik, gives us the stories, experiences, viewpoints, even poetry, of these courageous conscripts who believe in their country, but not in its actions beyond its borders." — ZED Books)

Kovel, Joel. **Overcoming Zionism: Creating a Single Democratic State in Israel/Palestine.** London: Pluto Press, 2007. ("Joel Kovel's uncompromising criticism of Zionism is rooted in a very deep feeling of empathy and solidarity with his fellow-Jews . . . The way out Kovel is suggesting — a bi-national Israeli-Palestinian state — may be challenged, but definitely not ignored. —Michel Warschawski, former director of the Alternative Information Centre in Jerusalem)

Kushner, Tony and Alisa Solomon, eds. **Wrestling with Zion: Progressive Jewish American Responses to the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict**. New York: Grove, 2003. ("With violence between Israeli Jews and Palestinians continuing and the death toll rising, playwright Kushner and journalist Solomon have compiled a book of thoughts by a progressive and diverse group of notable Jewish writers on the current situation in the Middle East and the prospects for peace. According to the contributors, the media presents an apparent unanimity of Jewish opinion on the conflict, which distorts the real diversity of the community's convictions. To give some historical perspective to the debate, the book begins with the writings of such figures as Ahad Ha'am, Martin Buber and Hannah Arendt; contemporary contributors include Arthur Waskow, Ellen Willis, Susan Sontag, and lesser-known writers. The essays address such issues as how and why American Jews are connected to the land of their ancestors, and how Zionism has influenced Jewish identity. Rather than distancing themselves from controversy, the editors have encouraged contributors to examine the covenant that links the Jewish people and Israel and to let it be 'loosened and strengthened, de-mythified, de-fetishized, considered as a dynamic problematic, as is only appropriate to the consideration of a living bond'" – *Publishers Weekly*)

Leibowitz, Yeshayahu. Edited by Eliezer Goldman. **Judaism, Human Values, and the Jewish State**. Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1995. ("Leibowitz calls the religious justification of national issues "idolatry" and finds this phenomenon at the root of many of the annexationist moves made by the state of Israel. Long one of the most outspoken critics of Israeli occupation in the conquered territories, he gives eloquent voice to his ongoing concern over the debilitating moral effects of its policies and practices on Israel itself. This translation will bring to an English-speaking audience a much-needed, lucid perspective on the present and future state of Jewish culture." — Harvard University Press.)

Lerman, Anthony. **The Making and Unmaking of a Zionist: A Personal and Political Journey**. London: Pluto Press, 2012. ("An honest and moving account of how Antony Lerman – like so many Jewish liberals of his generation – fell in and out of love with the Zionist dream as translated into Israeli reality. A singular figure of principle in the grubby world of communal politics, Lerman retells factually and with a commendable lack of bitterness his shameful treatment at the hands of the British Jewish establishment." - Rabbi David J. Goldberg, author of *This Is Not the Way: Jews, Judaism and Israel* (2012) "In this very courageous, personal yet intellectual exposé, Antony Lerman, who, unlike many of his peers, refused to cross the red lines into the ideological territory of ethnocentric particularism, explores his journey to and from Zionism. His critique contains sharp insights and the inspiration of an optimistic prophet who believes that peace, justice and human rights are the true Jewish values." - Avraham Burg, former Speaker of the Israeli Knesset and author of *The Holocaust is Over: We Must Rise From its Ashes* (2008) "Lerman's journey from fervent Zionist to thoughtful critic of Zionism is fascinating enough. But this rich and compelling account also charts his sustained vilification and shows how extensively bigotry has replaced reason in the Middle East debate. You leave it, however, uplifted by the encounter with a commentator who has wrestled with these difficult questions with seriousness, thoughtfulness and integrity all his professional life." - Anne Karpf, sociologist, journalist and author of *The War After: Living With the Holocaust* (1996))

Neumann, Michael. **The Case Against Israel**. Oakland, CA: AK Press, 2005. (“The Case Against Israel argues that Zionism was responsible for the conflict between Israelis and Palestinians and that Israel is responsible for its perpetuation. The argument rests on widely accepted factual claims and impeccable sources.” —*Counterpunch* [Neumann “graduated from Columbia University with degrees in European history and English literature, followed by a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Toronto; he teaches moral and political philosophy])

Reinhart, Tanya. **The Roadmap to Nowhere: Israel/Palestine Since 2003**. London: Verso, 2006. (“Based on analysis of information in the mainstream Israeli media, it argues that the current road map has brought no real progress and that, under cover of diplomatic successes, Israel is using the road map to strengthen its grip on the remaining occupied territories...Reinhart examines the gap between myth the Israeli leadership’s public affairs achievement that has led the West to believe that a road map is in fact being implemented and bitter reality. Not only has nothing fundamentally changed, she argues, but the Palestinians continue to lose more of their land and are pushed into smaller and smaller enclaves...” —Verso.)

Rose, Jacqueline. **The Question of Zion**. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2005. ([A] remarkable book. . . . Enormous amounts of news coverage and polemic are devoted to Israel, and the conflict in the Holy Land is the single most bitterly contentious struggle on earth. And yet, as Rose points out, little attention is given to the roots of the Zionist movement and the impassioned debates that once surrounded it. . . . Just what a strange creed Zionism was, and how unlike other nations its out-come, are part of Rose's theme.---Geoffrey Wheatcroft, *New Statesman* Jacqueline Rose has written a timely and courageous book. . . . It could do nothing but good if the force of Rose's argument were to be felt not only in and for Israel but beyond.---David Stimpson, *London Review of Books* Professor Rose's analysis . . . is modestly expressed and methodical. It is also fiercely intellectual. Judaic theology and psychoanalytic theory are wielded like tools, unpicking the minds of Israel's pioneers . . . to the Bible-bashing settlers currently resisting evacuation from Gaza to the West Bank.---Rafael Behr, *The Observer* [A]n original and provocative study, full of arresting insights, that deserves to be widely read in Israel and among diaspora Jews.---Rabbi David Goldberg, *Jewish Chronicle*)

Ross, Jack. **Rabbi Outcast, Elmer Berger and American-Jewish Anti-Zionism**. Sterling, VA: Potomac Books, 2011. [“Jack Ross places liberal Jewish anti-Zionism (as opposed to that of Orthodox or revolutionary socialist Jews) in historical perspective. That brand of anti-Zionism was virtually embodied by Rabbi Berger and his predecessors in the Reform rabbinate.” —Potomac Books]

Rothchild, Alice. **Broken Promises, Broken Dreams: Stories of Jewish & Palestinian Trauma & Resilience.** London: Pluto Press, 2007. (“Alice Rothchild grew up in a family grounded by the traumas of the Holocaust and passionately devoted to Israel. This book recounts her experiences as she grapples with the reality of life in Israel, the complexity of Jewish Israeli attitudes, and the hardships of Palestinians living in the West Bank and Gaza. Through her work with a medical and human rights project, Rothchild is able to offer a unique personal insight into the conflict. Based on interviews with a number of different women, she examines their diverse perspectives and the complexities of Jewish Israeli identity. Rothchild’s memorable account brings to life the voices of people mutually entwined in trauma and explores individual examples of resilience and resistance. Ultimately, the book raises troubling questions regarding U.S. policy and the insistence of the mainstream Jewish community on giving unquestioning support to all Israeli policy.” —Pluto Press)

Sand, Shlomo. **The Invention of the Jewish People.** London: Verso, 2010. “(A historical tour de force, *The Invention of the Jewish People* offers a groundbreaking account of Jewish and Israeli history. Exploding the myth that there was a forced Jewish exile in the first century at the hands of the Romans, Israeli historian Shlomo Sand argues that most modern Jews descend from converts, whose native lands were scattered across the Middle East and Eastern Europe. In this iconoclastic work, which spent nineteen weeks on the Israeli bestseller list and won the coveted *Aujourd’hui* Award in France, Sand provides the intellectual foundations for a new vision of Israel’s future.” – Amazon “Sand’s questions about how Israel’s democracy can be liberalized and stabilized are thought-provoking and deserve serious discussion.”—*Haaretz* “Perhaps books combining passion and erudition don’t change political situations, but if they did, this one would count as a landmark.”—Eric Hobsbawm, *Observer* “[Sand’s] quiet earthquake of a book is shaking historical faith in the link between Judaism and Israel.”—Rafael Behr, *Observer* “Anyone interested in understanding the contemporary Middle East should read this book.”—Tony Judt “Extravagantly denounced and praised.”—*New York Times* “No discussion of the region any longer seems complete without acknowledgement of this book.”—*Independent on Sunday*, Best History Books of 2009 “A radical dismantling of a national myth.”—*Guardian* “Almost too baseless to debunk.”—*Jewish Journal*)

Silberstein, Laurence, ed. **Postzionism: A Reader.** Rutgers University Press, 2008. (“Postzionism first emerged in the mid-1980s in writings by historians and social scientists that challenged the dominant academic versions of Israeli history, society, and national identity. Subsequently, this critique was expanded and sharpened in the writings of philosophers, cultural critics, legal scholars, and public intellectuals. This reader provides a broad spectrum of innovative and highly controversial views on Zionism and its place in the global Jewish world of the twenty-first century. While not questioning Israel’s legitimacy as a state, many contributors argue that it has yet to become a fully democratic, pluralistic state in which power is shared among all of its citizens. Essays explore current attitudes about Jewish homeland and diaspora as well as the ways that Zionist discourse contributes to the marginalization and exclusion of such minority communities as Palestinian citizens, Jews of Middle-Eastern origin (Mizrahim), women, and the queer community. An introductory essay describes Postzionism and contextualizes each contribution within the broader discourse. The most complete collection of postzionist documents available in English, this anthology is essential reading for students and scholars of Jewish identity, Middle-Eastern conflict, and Israeli history.” --Amazon)

Waxman, Dov. **Trouble in the Tribe: The American Jewish Conflict over Israel.** Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2016. ("Dov Waxman could hardly have picked a more contentious topic for investigation than the troubled relationship between (and among) American Jews and Israel. But with *Trouble in the Tribe*, he brings to bear a rare combination of calm, reasoned analysis with scrupulous scholarly research. American Jewish arguments about Israel will certainly continue, but if Waxman's contribution to it gets the attention it deserves, they should be based far more on complex reality than simplistic fantasy. And we will all be better for it."--Eric Alterman, columnist for the Nation "Good books, Orwell once wrote, set your scattered thoughts in order--in a way, tell you what you already know. Dov Waxman's *Trouble in the Tribe* lays it out: the attitudes, the clashes, the numbers, the future. For a generation, American Jewish solidarity regarding Israel was indistinguishable from the élan of community life. Waxman shows how, and why, this can change, even how Israel has become polarizing for congregational life. A grim, real, necessary book."-- Bernard Avishai, Dartmouth College and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

