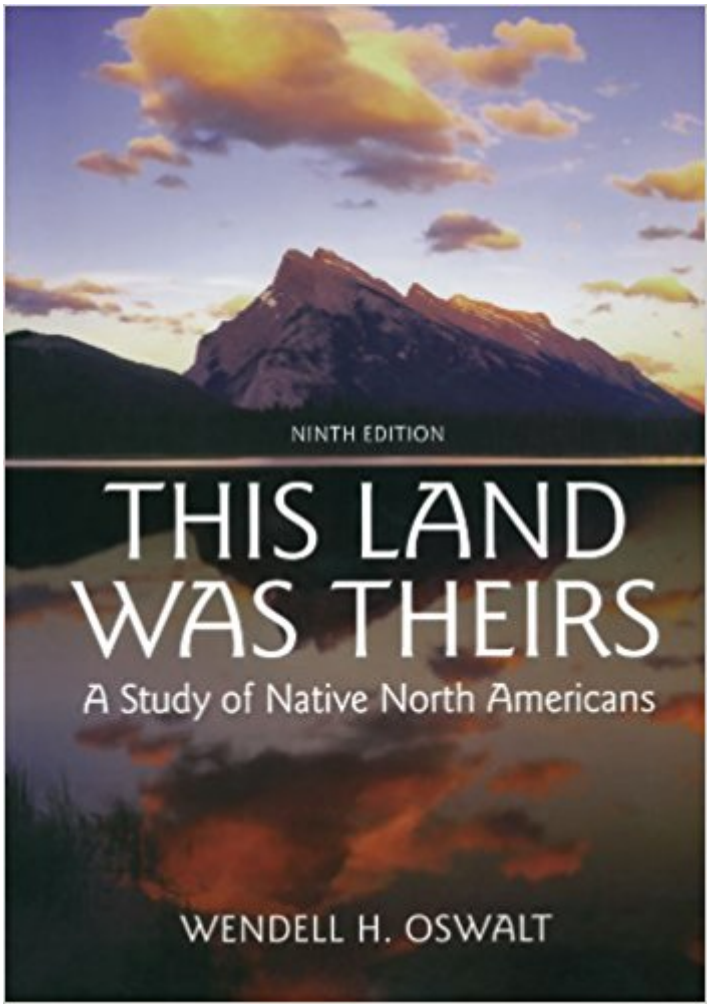
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Synopsis

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Wendell H. Oswalt is Emeritus Professor of Anthropology at University of California, Los Angeles, where he taught for thirty-two years. His research has examined Native American cultures, with particular attention devoted to the Yupik-speaking Eskimos in southwestern Alaska and Inuit-speaking Eskimos in northern Alaska and Canada.

One of the best reads in Native American History!

Boring, but required for class.

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This book is in great shape and exactly what I needed for class.

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