Empires In World History: Power And The Politics Of Difference

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Book review: Empires in World History: Power and the Politics of Difference, by Jane Burbank and Frederick Cooper. Princeton University Press, 2010. The book review highlights the authors' comprehensive approach to the history of empires, focusing on the politics and power dynamics that shaped empires throughout history. The review notes that the book departs from conventional European and nation-centered perspectives to offer a more global and inclusive view of empire history. Burbank and Cooper argue that empires relied on diversity for their success, and the book examines the rise and fall of various empires across Asia, Europe, the Americas, and Africa. The review concludes that the book provides a valuable resource for understanding the complex interplay of power and politics in empire-building endeavors.