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This book originated from a powerful sense that the fierce discussion about globalization has not been grounded in clear thinking about the basic concepts generally used to describe it. As someone who has thought about globalization and its discontents for over thirty years, I am convinced that much of the confusion has arisen from imprecise vocabulary. Particular terms-most recently neoliberalism, globalism, and geopolitics-pop up everywhere, but aren't adequately defined. To address the problem, I take a broad view in this book, offering historical information as well as contemporary context. The goal is to help all of us who want to advance these essential policy conversations to at least speak the same language.

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