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Mark Twain

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Mark Twain : Innocents Abroad before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Innocents Abroad:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Twain's humor on world wide travels. Get out your atlas and your magnifying glass. Be prepared to be entertained.By JT HokieInteresting variation on Twain's normal humor. Get out your maps and your magnifying glass as he travels around 19th century Europe, the Med, and the Holy Land. You've heard of large print editions? This is a microscopic print edition...like 6 pt type, but I forgive it because the book is really cheap. Twain pulls no punches, does not suffer fools gladly. The contrast of many places with today's conditions in that part of the world is interesting. Of course some places and some people really haven't changed that much...I don't pull many punches either.13 of 14 people found the following review helpful. Careful...this book causes seizures of laughterBy The WolfTwain accompanies and makes humor of a group of wealthy folks who charter a ship and travel thousands of miles from New York to Europe and the Holy Land...and other places. It is a true story of a trip that really happened...it was Twain's first book and it made him wealthy. It sold more than any other of his books in his lifetime. An example of the humor: Twain was at the Sea of Galilee and wanted to ride in one of the boats some Arab fellows rented out there. The price was high...so high that Twain said now he knew why Jesus had walked across the water.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A fun read that gives insight into Twain's timesBy Semi-Avid ReaderAs other reviewers have said, a very funny and entertaining read, though you have to allow for the social climate of the day in his views of non-Whites, Catholics (who he probably saw as non-White as well), and Muslims. Both as a travel tale and as a window into the world as it was 150 years ago, a book I'm glad I read. It was fun to read

about some of the places where we had just been in Italy and France. Hard to imagine such a trip in a world without phones (mobile or otherwise) or automobiles. Twain has much hilarious commentary on the sites, people, and his fellow travelers. And he isn't afraid to call it like he sees it. He also says many howlingly awful things, particularly about the impoverished Arabs he encountered along the way.