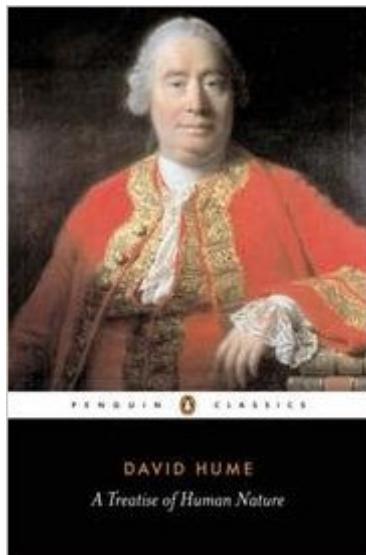


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I purchased this book in its 1969 paperback format from the Blue and Gray Bookstore near the campus of Memphis State University (now called the University of Memphis) in about 1974. This book draws my mind back to memories of the time that I lived in Memphis in an apartment near the campus of Memphis State. Although I lived close to the campus, I was working and did not attend any classes at Memphis State. I often have wished that I had attended a few classes during those years. This has been especially true since I attended my son's graduation from the University of Memphis in December of 2014. David Hume was a skeptic in regards to philosophers like René Descartes. Descartes tended to believe that causality in this world could be known "a priori" through pure inductive reason without any experimentation. Hume believed only in "a posteriori" knowledge arrived at through deductively through experimentation. This book, "The Treatise of Human Nature" is the premier work of David Hume's philosophy. Hume argues that all "sciences" and disciplines of learning should be placed on the basis of logic and our experience. In this 1739 book, Hume sought to outline his "science of man" in this book. Hume felt that the science of man was the "only solid foundation for all the other sciences" even mathematics. All sciences "have a relation, more or less, to human nature." Everything should be challenged and viewed skeptically. This book is refreshing

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