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## **Postcards from Tomorrow Square**

*By James Fallows*

*Vintage Books, \$14.95, 288 pages*

*Postcards From Tomorrow Square* is a collection of essays originally published in *The Atlantic Monthly*. Fallows (*Blind into Bagdad*) spent two years living in China, immersing himself in the culture. These essays cover a range of topics, but all provide a deep insight into the changes and challenges facing China as it becomes a world power and the rest of the world in responding to those changes. The economic and political upheaval happening in China has ramifications beyond the borders, and the social and cultural changes will last for a generation or more. Fallows finds topics of interest in themselves (environmental pollution, Internet police) and ties them into larger cultural shifts, giving a different perspective of what is becoming the second (or third) world superpower. *Postcards* is well written, interesting and fascinating. If you've enjoyed Thomas Freedman's *The World is Flat*, *Postcards From Tomorrow Square* will be a welcome addition to your reading list.

