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**The Anti-Capitalism Reader**  
**Edited by Joel Schalit**  
**(Akashic, £12.99)**

This collection of nicely accessible essays looks at the practice and theory of anti-capitalist politics in the modern world. The book's editor sums up the aim of anti-capitalism--and of this book--as an attempt to discover what went wrong with communism, and how a more humane socialism can be achieved. Communism wasn't big on culture, so the last, and most interesting, section is dedicated to this, with essays on Anti-Capitalist Taste, making information free and--the most original of the lost--the links between capitalism and transgender.