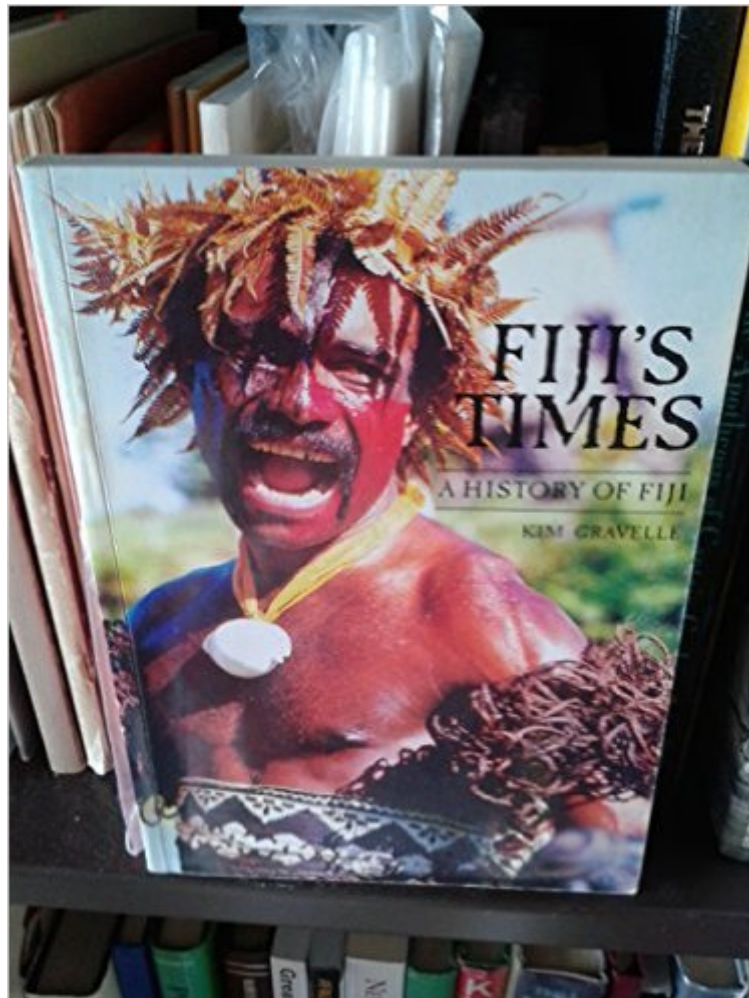


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This book gave me insight into the history behind the animosity between native and Indo-Fijians. Convinced that the natives were "lazy" because they insisted on resting during the hottest part of the day before returning to work in the evening, colonial British began to import labourers for the sugar cane fields from the subcontinent with promises of land to those who'd indenture themselves for an agreed upon span of years. The British failed to understand the deep connection to land that the indigenous Fijians felt and their revulsion at the idea of their lands falling into ownership of foreigners. And so the troubles began. This history served me as a helpful resource for understanding the cultural and racial divides that remain there to this day.

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