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GEORGE SOROS



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George Soros is a global financier, author, and philanthropist. Soros is also Chair of Soros Fund Management LLC and the Founder of the Open Society Institute.

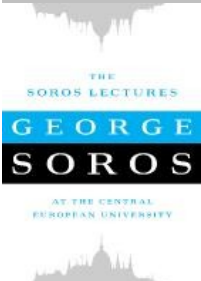
Born in Budapest in 1930, he was only thirteen years old when Hitler's Wehrmacht seized Hungary and began deporting the country's Jews to extermination camps. He immigrated in 1947 to England, supporting himself by working as a railroad porter and a restaurant waiter while attending the London School of Economics. He graduated in 1952 and obtained an entry-level position

with an investment bank.

In 1967 Soros helped establish an offshore investment fund, and in 1973 he set up a private investment firm that eventually evolved into the enormously successful Quantum Fund, one of the first hedge funds.

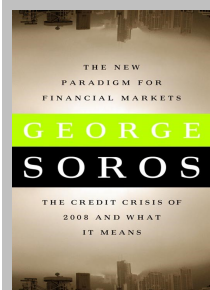
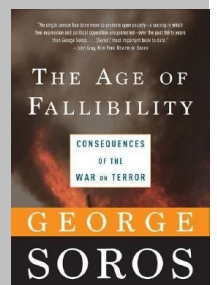
Since 1979, Soros has been active as a philanthropist and has established a network of philanthropic organizations active in more than 50 countries. These organizations are dedicated to promoting the values of democracy and an open society. In addition, Soros is the author of eleven books, and his articles and essays regularly appear in major newspapers and magazines around the world.

BOOKS:



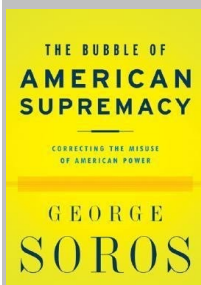
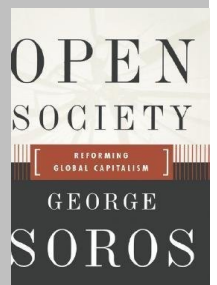
[*The Soros Lectures: At the Central European University*](#)

[*The Age of Fallibility: Consequences of the War on Terror*](#)



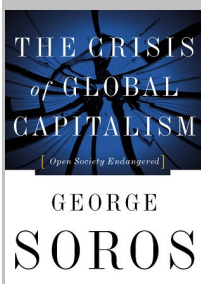
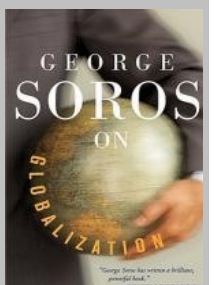
[*The New Paradigm for Financial Markets: The Credit Crisis of 2008 and What It Means*](#)

[*Open Society: Reforming Global Capitalism*](#)



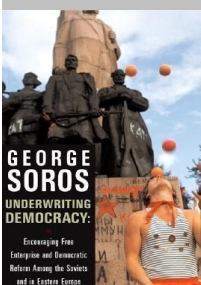
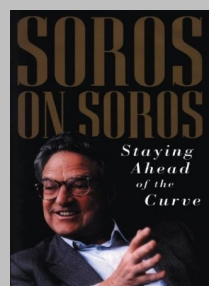
[*The Bubble of American Supremacy: Correcting the Misuse of American Power*](#)

[*George Soros on Globalization*](#)



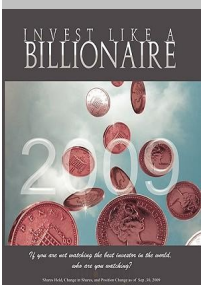
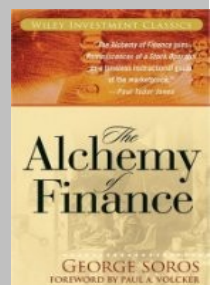
[*The Crisis of Global Capitalism: Open Society*](#)

[*Soros on Soros: Staying Ahead of the Curve*](#)



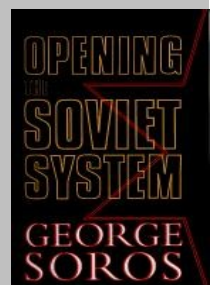
[*Underwriting Democracy: Encouraging Free Enterprise and Democratic Reform Among the Soviets and in Eastern Europe*](#)

[*The Alchemy of Finance \(Wiley Investment Classics\)*](#)



[*Invest like a Billionaire: If you are not watching the best investor in the world, who are you watching?*](#)

[*Opening the Soviet System*](#)



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ARTICLES BY SOROS:

[The euro will face bigger tests than Greece](#) *Financial Times*

[Do not ignore the need for financial reform](#) *Financial Times*

[The three steps to financial reform](#) *Financial Times*

[One Way to Stop Bear Raids](#) *Wall Street Journal*

[Peripheral care should be the central concern](#) *Financial Times*

[The right and wrong way to bail out the banks](#) *Financial Times*

[America must lead a rescue of emerging economies](#) *Financial Times*

[How to capitalize the banks and save finance](#) *Financial Times*

More [HERE](#).

ARTICLES ON SOROS:

[Man who broke the Bank of England George Soros 'at centre of hedge funds betting against crisis-hit euro'](#) *Daily Mail*

[Soros Makes Bet On Yahoo, Boosting Stake To 3.5M Shares In 4Q](#) *Wall Street Journal*

[Soros Increased Bet on Gold Last Year](#) *Wall Street Journal*

[Hedge Funds Try 'Career Trade' Against Euro](#) *Wall Street Journal*

Forbes lists Soros as having an estimated Net worth of over \$11 billion. Read more [HERE](#).

PRESS RELEASES:

[George Soros Pledges an Initial \\$4 Million for Quake Relief in Haiti](#)

[Fall of the Berlin Wall: In Revolutionary Times the Impossible Becomes Possible](#)

MENTIONED ON THE SHOW

CHINA’S CURRENCY:

Fareed mentions that some people say that the greatest distortion currently in the global marketplace is China's currency, which the government is keeping artificially low. The Peterson Institute says that the Chinese currency is undervalued by 40 percent.

Click [HERE](#) for more from the Peter G. Peterson Institute for International Economics.

Soros agrees, saying that “there's no question about it. And moreover, since China is now overheating, for domestic purposes, raising the -- the -- or allowing the exchange rate to appreciate would be a very good way to bring the inflationary pressures under control.”

[George Soros on China](#) *MarketWatch*

[Financial oracles can only push you to think for yourself](#) *Global Times*

[Soros: China's Only A Bubble If It Ends With A Hard Landing](#) *The Business Insider*

THE EURO AND OTHER FOREIGN CURRENCY

[Euro Crisis: Why Conspiracy Theories Are Running Wild](#) *TIME*

[Dollar drops against euro on new hope for Greece aid](#) *MarketWatch*

[The Stakes in Spain: A Little Exaggerated](#) *New York Times*

[Global Markets-Dollar down on Greece news, stocks mixed](#) *Reuters*

[Dollar Mixed as Economic Data Worsens Worldwide](#) *New York Times*

[Financier Jim Rogers denies saying pound will collapse](#) *MarketWatch*

[Breaking The Bank Of England: A Possible Sequel](#) *Wall Street Journal*

[Five world markets themes next week](#) *Reuters UK*

[Frayed Greco-German Ties](#) *Wall Street Journal*

[Fiscal fears put euro under pressure](#) *Financial Times*

[Merkel Slams Euro Speculation, Warns of 'Resentment'](#) *Businessweek*

SIMON SCHAMA

Simon Schama

Simon Schama is an award-winning writer and Professor of Art History and History at Columbia University in New York. Since 1990, he has also written and presented more than 30 documentaries on art and history for the BBC.

He first gained public attention for his 15-part BBC series entitled [“A History of Britain,”](#) which won numerous awards.

Schama spent 13 years as professor at Harvard. He joined Columbia University in 1993, where he specializes in European cultural and environmental history and the history of art.

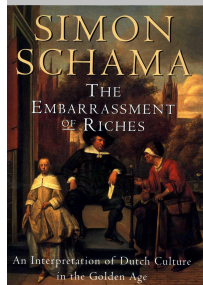
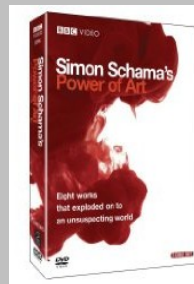
In 1996, Schama received the National Magazine Award for his work as the *New Yorker*’s art critic and cultural essayist. He has written 14 books, translated into 16 languages.

BOOKS AND FILMS:



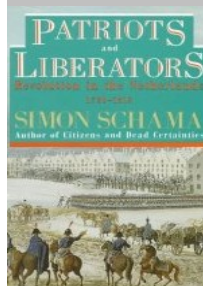
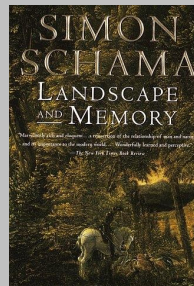
[*The American Future: A History*](#)

[*Simon Schama's Power of Art*](#)



[*The Embarrassment of Riches: An Interpretation of Dutch Culture in the Golden Age*](#)

[*Landscape And Memory*](#)



[*Patriots and Liberators: Revolution in the Netherlands, 1780-1813*](#)

MORE:

For more on Simon Schama in the *New York Times*, click [here](#).

Read more from his *New Yorker* profile [here](#)

LIONEL BARBER



Lionel Barber

Lionel Barber is the US Managing Editor for the *Financial Times*. Born in London in 1955, Barber attended Dulwich College and, later, St, Edmund Hall, Oxford. He graduated with a joint honors degree in German and Modern History and began his career in journalism in 1978 as a reporter for *The Scotsman* in Edinburgh, England. One year later, the British Press Awards selected him as the Young Journalist of the Year.

In 1981, he joined the *Sunday Times* as a business and political reporter in London. In 1985, he joined the *Financial Times*, soon becoming its Washington

correspondent and US editor. Later he became the chief European correspondent and Brussels bureau chief, London news editor, and the *FT*’s continental edition editor. He has lived in Washington, Brussels, London and New York covering the end of the Cold War, the first Gulf War and several US presidential campaigns.

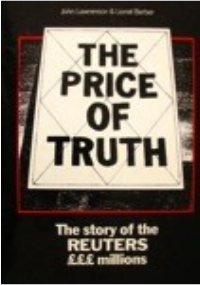
In 2001, the White House invited Lionel Barber to brief President Bush ahead of his inaugural trip to Europe. That same year he was voted one of the 50 most influential people in Europe by *European Voice* magazine.

In 2002, he served as moderator of a special seminar featuring Ambassador Robert Zoellick, US trade representative, and Pascal Lamy, EU trade commissioner, at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. He has also lectured on US-European relations and European security and monetary union, at the Council on Foreign Relations, the Foreign Service Institute, Columbia, Harvard, Stanford, the London School of Economics, and numerous other campuses in the US and Europe.

He has co-written several books including *The Price of Truth: the story of Reuters millions*, the *DeLorean Tapes* and *Not with Honor: the story of the Westland scandal*. He has also contributed to *The Media and the Military*. In 1998, he wrote [“Britain and the New European Agenda,”](#) published in London and Paris in English, French

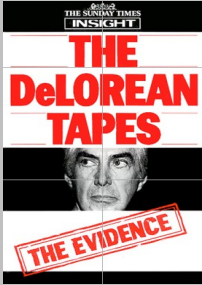
and German. He also contributed several chapters to *Europe in the New Century*. His articles have appeared in the Washington Post, the New Republic, and Europe magazine.

BOOKS:



[The Price of Truth. The Story of the Reuters millions](#)

The DeLorean Tapes



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[Decision makers](#) *Financial Times*

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[Forget China, this is really important](#) *Financial Times*

Read more on Lionel Barber on the *Financial Times* website [HERE](#).