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Made In America is a nonfiction book by Bill Bryson describing the history of the English language in the United States and the evolution of American culture.

Bill Bryson, bestselling author of *The Mother Tongue*, now celebrates its magnificent offspring in the book that reveals once and for all how a dusty western hamlet with neither woods nor holly came to be known as Hollywood . . . and exactly why Mr. Yankee Doodle called his befeathered cap "Macaroni."

From Publishers Weekly

Bryson offers a playfully anecdotal account of the etymology of distinctive words and phrases that help to create a distinctly American English.

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书评

出了用来娱乐，还可以借此了解下美国文化，很多平常经常听到，可以明白大致意思但

是始终没有能sink in的词，经过了解词汇的来源和变化，也更理解了。
美国毕竟历史实在是很短，这样一本600页的书也能讲个7788，挺有意思。
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