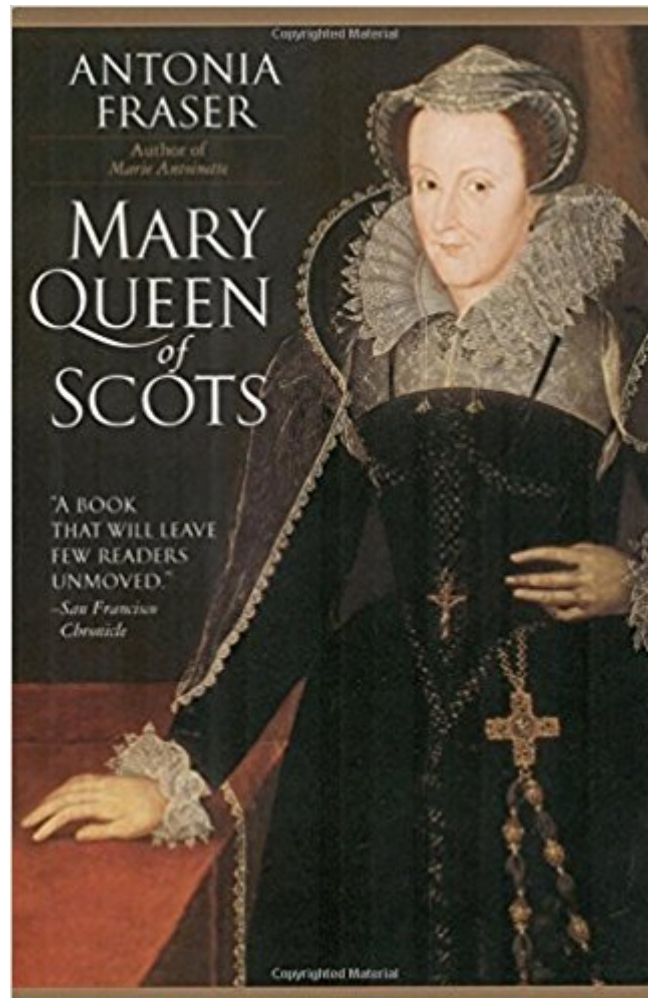




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I thoroughly enjoyed this historical biography of Mary, Queen of Scots. I had been watching a TV series about Mary, and found I wanted to know more about the facts. So, I got this book. I did not regret it.

Good

So dramatic!

An educational story that must be read and re-read. Thanks to Antonia Fraser for the book.

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This book was excellent. The best information that I have found so far on Mary Queen of Scots. I didn't know much about her, only that she was a prisoner of Elizabeth I, but wanted to know how this happened, also with her suspect choice of husbands and the things that happened to them. The only down side was there were a few French phrases in the book that weren't explained in English,

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