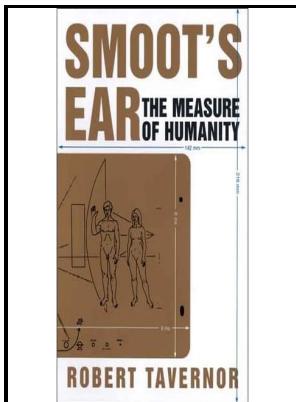


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Instead, he sets measures and measuring in cultural context and shows how deeply they are connected to human experience and history. The marks are repainted each semester by the incoming associate member class similar to pledge class of Lambda Chi Alpha.

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The prank's fiftieth anniversary was commemorated on October 4, 2008, as Smoot Celebration Day at MIT. In London, the initial reaction of liberals to revolution in France had been positive.



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