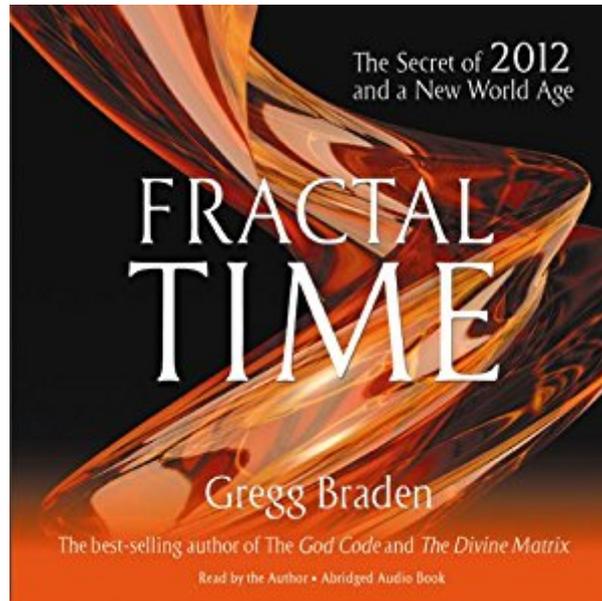


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Fractal Time: The Secret Of 2012 And A New World Age



Synopsis

In his latest book, former senior computer systems designer and bestselling author Gregg Braden merges these ancient and modern world views into a powerful new model of time. Marrying the modern laws of fractal patterns to the ancient concept of cycles, he demonstrates how everything from the war and peace between nations to our most joyous relationships and personal crises are the returning patterns of our past. As each pattern returns, it carries the same conditions of previous cycles—fractal patterns that can be known, measured and predicted! What makes this model so important today is that the returning cycles also carry a window of opportunity—a choice point—that allows us to choose a new outcome for the cycle. Braden suggests that if we can see time from this perspective, the patterns will show us what's in store for the future, and perhaps how to avoid the mistakes of our past. After presenting the case histories that confirm the accuracy of fractal time calculations, the author crosses the traditional boundaries of science and spirituality to answer the question that must be asked: What does fractal time tell us about 2012, and beyond? Because the cycles repeat, the seed for 2012 has already happened and the pattern already exists! In a narrative format of easy-to-read science and true-life accounts, Fractal Time shows us what we can expect as we close the Great World Age described by the Mayan Calendar, and the secret to our moment in history. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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Customer Reviews

I was very much looking forward to reading this as Braden has quite a reputation these days. What

a major letdown. I don't like to give such a low score in a review, but sometimes the problems are just so glaringly obvious that I have to. The basic premise to the book is that there are patterns to the flow of time and energy which the ancients knew and could use, an idea which I find quite interesting and agree with. I also feel quite strongly that these are critical times for the human race (and the planet), and was hoping to find something usable in this book as far as understanding these times is concerned. Frankly, Braden falls flat. He states on page 17 that this book is not a science publication or peer-reviewed research paper. He states, however that it is well researched and documented. I must take issue with that, as he makes numerous major mistakes critical to the work. He also quite often "invokes" a source rather than using it to properly develop his point. (Read Joseph Farrell's books for an example of how to do this right.) First off, I have major issues with taking the New Age pop garbage about Nostradamus seriously. Most of the people who write popular books about old Nostie do not bother to research his original writings or correct historical data, and many of the books about him, including those written hundreds of years ago, contain numerous factual errors. To make the (absolute) statement that Nostradamus "predicted" such things as the World Wars, the JFK assassination, and 9-11 is an outrageous distortion of fact, to put it in the kindest terms.

Mr. Braden has cobbled together a bunch of different (though interesting) ideas and attempted to link them mathematically, and he has failed at this abysmally. Try building a spreadsheet off this man's math... I knew I was in trouble when I encountered the chart on 209-210 which gave the incorrect decimal equivalents for the months (December, for example, should fall in the range of .918 to .999, not .12). Then, the step-by-step examples he gives alternate between accurate to the day, to the month, or to the year. If you are going to apply math, you must be consistent. Use 5125.975 for December 21, 2012, NOT the rounded 5125. Converting dates accurately to three digits, December 7, 1941 is 5054.936, giving a next cycle date of March 25, 1985, a full year after Braden's calculations (March 1984) and a year and a half after the destruction of KAL Flight 007. This is not accurate enough to be useful. Further, he calculates his NEXT cycle off his manufactured date of March 1984 rather than using the actual date of the KAL Flight 007 crisis. We used an actual date for Pearl Harbor in the beginning, so why not this time? And if everything is cyclical, then the Pearl Harbor date is an estimation of some crisis years before it... The whole Time Code Calculator makes a number of assumptions that are not reasonable. First, all calculations are based off an end of time on the winter solstice 2012. Different Mayan calendar experts suggest a variety of possible dates in this vicinity, but as the Mayan calendar was not based on 365.25 days, it is really impossible to

pinpoint (as is the start of the calendar, which many put at 3115 BC, not 3113). Second, the choice of phi as a ratio seems completely arbitrary.

Writers such as Joe (aka Jose) Arguelles pointed out that time was fractal back in 1987 in 'The Mayan Factor'. Frank Waters in Mexico 'Mystique: Coming 6Th World Of Consciousness' wrote about Mayan time cycles in 1975. The Maya, by Michael Coe appeared in first edition in 1966. Terrence McKenna pointed out time is fractal with his TimeWave theory. Tony Shearer was also an early source. The Olmec or Mayan or whoever invented the long count calendar are the ONLY ones who really understand what it is talking about. Non-Mayan speakers on a Mayan subject most often walk on thin ice or speak nonsense as often occurs in archeological circles. Regarding calendars there are also other cyclical calenderic systems from many cultures including the Chinese and their famous animal-oriented zodiac. Example: "In addition to the 2012 winter solstice marking the end of the Mayan Great Cycle, December 21 also signals the completion of an even larger cycle: the great or precessional year that began approximately 260000 years ago." The existence, length, and timing of the precessional year is a subject of great debate. The book is trying to say that December 21 2012 also represents the end of the cycle and the dawning of the age of Aquarius. However, no one knows in what year such a theoretical transition occurs let alone the day. According to Max Hiedel this transition to Aquarius occurred back in 498 AD. Based on other correlations it will not happen until 600 years from now. And the book does not tell you that it stole, I mean got, the idea of 2012 corresponding to age precession from John Major Jenkins which doesn't make it fact either. In fact the book lifted much of JMJs work in Galactic Alignment for this book. Anthony F.

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