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Sommario/riassunto	The United States dropped atomic bombs on Japan in 1945 to end World War II as quickly and with as few casualties as possible. That is the compelling and elegantly simple argument Newman puts forward in his new study of World War II's end, Truman and the Hiroshima Cult. According to Newman: (1) The U.S. Strategic Bombing Survey conclusions that Japan was ready to surrender without ""the Bomb"" are fraudulent; (2) America's ""unconditional surrender"" doctrine did not

significantly prolong the war; and (3) President Harry S. Truman's decision to use atomic weapons on Japanese cities was not a
