Record Nr. UNINA9910808701203321 Autore Cleaver Charles Grinnell **Titolo** Japanese and Americans: cultural parallels and paradoxes / / by Charles Grinnell Cleaver Minneapolis, : University of Minnesota Press, c1976 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8166-6193-6 Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (313 pages) Descrizione fisica Disciplina 952.04 Soggetti Comparative civilization Japan Civilization United States Civilization Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 247-255) and index. Contents; CHAPTER 1 The Problem: Stereotypes (Self-Imposed and Nota di contenuto Otherwise), ""National Character,"" and Paradox; CHAPTER 2 The Wilderness Zion and the Land of the Gods: CHAPTER 3 The ""Crass Materialists" and the ""Economic Animals,""; CHAPTER 4 The Old Environment: Nature; CHAPTER 5 Workaday and Holiday; CHAPTER 6 Fiction and the Popular Imagination; CHAPTER 7 Shelter and Symbol; CHAPTER 8 The Nurture of the Young; CHAPTER 9 In Concluding; EPILOGUE: ""Same Difference,""; By Way of Bibliography; Notes; Index Long periods of residence, study, and teaching in Japan have given Sommario/riassunto Professor Cleaver an opportunity to observe its culture and to compare it with that of the United States, where he is a specialist in American studies. He reaches the conclusion that differences in the two cultures have been emphasized so much that similarities have been overlooked. Further, he points out, when differences have been discovered, a moral judgment has often been implied. In this book he provides a balanced

view which will, it is hoped, contribute to a better understanding

between the two countries.