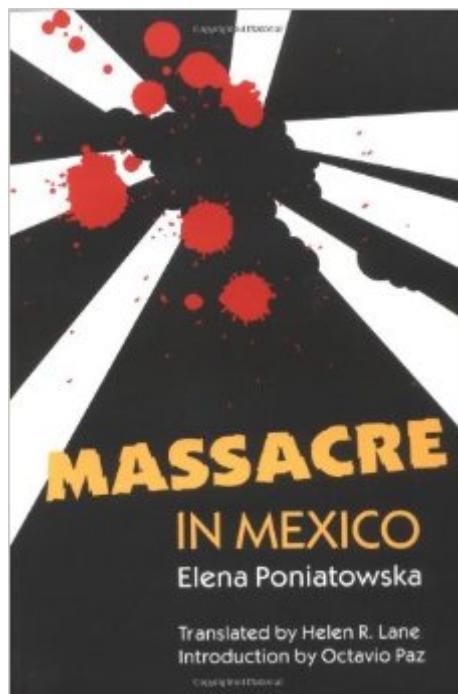


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# Massacre In Mexico



## **Synopsis**

Now available in paper is Elena Poniatowska's gripping account of the massacre of student protesters by police at the 1968 Olympic Games, which Publishers Weekly claimed "makes the campus killings at Kent State and Jackson State in 1970 pale by comparison."

## **Book Information**

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If you are interested in Mexico, deeply interested, this is an important book by Elena Poniatowska, one of the country's most distinguished writers. Four decades later, in the midst of a bloody drug war rife with accusations of military human rights abuses, torture and assassinations, the questions surrounding the 1968 massacre at Tlatelolco persist.

This summation of eyewitness perspectives on Mexico City massacre in 1968 was riveting. No one can finish reading this book and feel anything but horror on what happened. The problem that haunts the reader looking ahead at the future is how else can one do peaceful demonstrations and still be heard. This is a cautionary tale for democracies everywhere. Dissident voices must be allowed to be heard and not be silenced by murder and intimidation.. We may not like the message but its value is in the freedom to deliver it.

The literature Massacre in Mexico is a unique kind of animal. It does not try to make the reader fall in love with a swooping storyline or care for any deep multi-faceted characters, as it is a collaboration of first-hand accounts of one of Mexico's most horrifying tragedies. It instead confuses

and bewilders with details that contradict its own government statement regarding the horrors of October 1968 Student Movement massacre. Readers may be alarmed at Elena Poniatowska's tone as it portrays the government as a body that rolls out conspiracies as easily as it would murder 325 of its unarmed civilians. The students attempted to peacefully demonstrate against nation's one-party government and lack of political freedom.

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