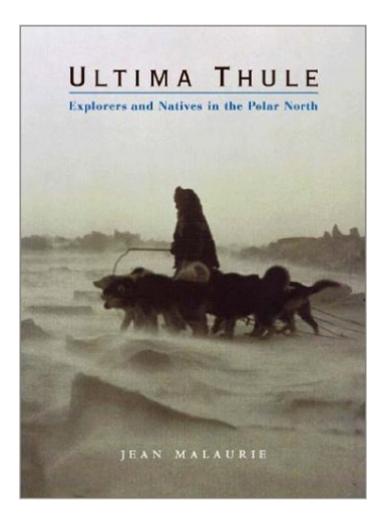
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Thank you for sending this very large and heavy book my way. Recently I spent time in Norway with

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this book is exquisitely presented & an in depth analysis of the plight of the polar inuit society by jean maulaurie. very worth while, if you care about these forgotten, and marginalized people....otherwise, go aboutmaking more money and don't bother. thea, dedicated bookworm:) & polarenthusiast.

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