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*Deadly Companions: How Microbes Shaped Our History* [Dorothy H. Crawford, Jennifer M. Dixon] on Amazon.com. \*FREE\* shipping on qualifying offers. Ever since we started huddling together in communities, the story of human history has been inextricably entwined with the story of microbes. They have evolved and spread amongst us

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Crawford offers a useful primer for those wishing to understand the ways in which the ever-resourceful microbes have helped to shape history in diverse ways: fostering population movements; periodically decimating communities; influencing social change; abruptly removing important personages from the scene; and determining the success or failure of military campaigns.

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*Deadly Companions: How Microbes Shaped our History*. They have evolved and spread amongst us, shaping our culture through infection, disease, and pandemic. At the same time, our changing human culture has itself influenced the evolutionary path of microbes. Dorothy H. Crawford here shows that one cannot be truly

understood without the other.

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She also explains how the microbes have evolved and shaped human history. Black Death, smallpox, syphilis, SARS, and malaria are among some of the diseases she talks about and evaluates the impacts they have had in the evolution of the human race.