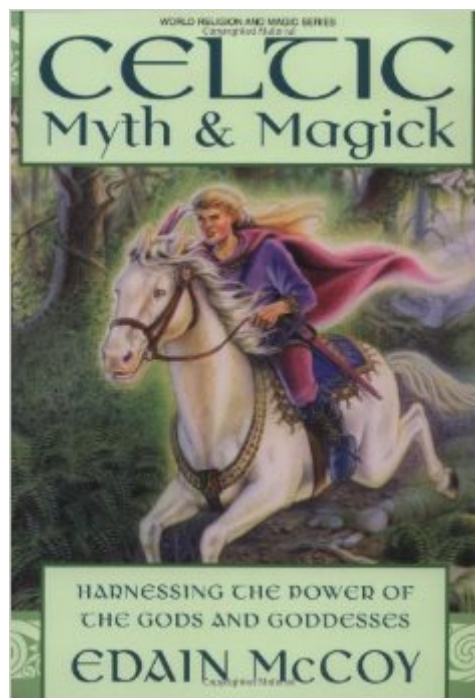


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I am writing this review to defend Edain McCoy from some of the mean reviews I've read about her book in this section. First off, let me just state that I am an initiated Gardnerian with a college degree, and that I have extensively studied Celtic history and language, ancient languages and civilizations, and world religions, etc. I am saying this not to boast but because I believe that my background should lend credence to my review. Anyway, I bought this book merely for the god/goddess dictionary, because I thought it would be another of those Llewellyn stinkpots -- you know, the usual unethical mix of fact and fantasy all put together so the author can make a quick buck. Believe me, I HATE those kinds of books. But this one really surprised me, and I think McCoy did an excellent job. Celtic history and the Celtic pantheons are very complicated and difficult to simplify into a workable and understandable whole. I think McCoy did a good job of both attempting to do that as well as explaining how difficult it is. I think she was quite honest about her limitations, which I think are limitations almost anyone would have (my one complaint is that she doesn't cite her sources). As for her spelling and pronunciation of the words, I found them to be pretty much the same as I have seen in my non-Craft related Celtic books. I found them very helpful. And yes, at first some of her entries on the gods seemed to be erroneous, but sure enough when I looked them up in other books I would find she wasn't wrong. Let's face it, there are so many forms of Celtic

myth, and as I said it's a complex system; there are many different versions of the stories and the most popular versions certainly aren't the only ones.

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