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Prepare your child to understand American history, write great history reports, and have an easy, clear way to learn more about U.S. history with the *Children's Encyclopedia of American History*, an essential resource for understanding American history and the events that have shaped the creation of the United States. Created in collaboration with the Smithsonian Institution, the *Children's Encyclopedia of American History* has accurate historical information illustrated by more than 750 photographs and art pieces, plus extensive maps, charts, and state-specific information.

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Children's Encyclopedia of American History Details

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From Reader Review Children's Encyclopedia of American History for online ebook

Terri Skipworth says

Title: David, C. (2014) Children's encyclopedia of american history. New York, NY: DK Publishing.

Citation by: Terri Skipworth

Type of Reference: Encyclopedia

Call number: 973.03 Dav

Grade Level: Elementary

Content/Scope:

The Children's Encyclopedia of American History was written in collaboration with the Smithsonian Institute and includes more than 750 photographs, maps, art etc... The content covers the entirety of American history including the events leading up to the development of the United States to present day. This book is intended for children 8-17 years old and consists 320 pages of text and full color illustrations.

Accuracy/Authority/Bias:

DK Publishing is a division of Random House Publishing which was established in 1974. DK publishes non-fiction for adults and children that are highly visual. DK Publishing produces both print and digital titles that are highly reviewed from such agencies as School Library Journal and Booklist.

Arrangement/Presentation:

This book is a hardcover book with 320 pages. It consists of text and full color illustrations. The book occurs chronologically with each chapter starting out with a timeline and an overview of the period.

Relation to other works:

This book is a comprehensive reference guide to the particular subject of American History. The book is in encyclopedia form and provides basic information on each topic relating to American History.

Accessibility/Diversity:

This book would be a great resource for students ages 8 and up and with diverse backgrounds and abilities. The illustrations and graphics give the content material perspective and organize the information so that it is easier to understand.

Cost: 29.99

Review: McGuire, B. (2015). Children's encyclopedia of american history. School Library Journal, retrieved from: <http://www.slj.com/2015/02/reviews/re...>

Donna Johnson says

King, D.C. (2014). *Children's Encyclopedia of American History*. New York: DK Publishing.

Citation by: Donna Johnson

Type of Reference: Encyclopedia

Call number: Ref 973.03

Content/Scope: This encyclopedia's target audience is students in the 3rd grade and up. It contains 320 pages divided into 18 chapters, with 750 images. The content covers events in American history from the exploration of the New World to 2013, including recent events such as the Boston Marathon bombing, the War on Terror, and Hurricane Katrina. This is a visually appealing volume that would give students basic information on a variety of topics from nearly any time in US history.

Accuracy/Authority/Bias: Dorling Kindersley (DK) Publishing is a subsidiary of Penguin Random House. The company has offices worldwide and publishes in multiple countries and languages. Major brands such as WWE, Lego, and the Star Wars franchise choose DK to publish their books, showing their trust in DK's accuracy. DK has been in business for more than 40 years.

Arrangement/Presentation: The book is arranged chronologically, with 18 chapters dividing its 320 pages. Each chapter begins with a timeline and overview of the period it covers. The book is large and visually appealing with 750 images.

Relation to other works: This is a good source for an overview of the complete history of America. Some U.S. history encyclopedias focus on a specific, much shorter time period, limiting their usefulness for student information needs.

Accessibility/Diversity: A larger font and many images make this book a good choice for visual learners. The topics covered include those of interest to any gender or ethnic background.

Cost: \$29.99

Professional Review: McGuire, B. (2015). Children's Encyclopedia of American History. *School Library Journal*, 61(2). Retrieved from <http://www.slj.com/2015/02/reviews/re...>

Danielle Friedrich says

So glad to have completed this as a family! I learned almost as much as the kids! Very thorough.

Bonnie Blevins says

King, D. C. (2014). Children's encyclopedia of American history. New York, NY: Dorling Kindersley (DK).

Citation by: Bonnie Blevins

Type of Reference: Encyclopedia

Call Number: Ref 973

Content/Scope: This encyclopedia is targeted toward children 9-12. This book was written with the help of the Smithsonian Institute so it contains accurate information with over 750 photographs, additional maps, charts, and specific information on the states.

Accuracy/Authority/Bias: Dorling Kindersley (DK) was founded in 1974. It is the world's leading illustrated reference publisher.

Arrangement/Presentation: This encyclopedia is arranged chronologically from the year 1000 to the year 2014. It contains articles, pictures, and maps about people, places, and events from America's history.

Relation to other works: Even though there are a few different types of books listed under 973 in the library, the newest ones are from 2001. Many cover a particular part of American history such as submarines or being young and black. This book will give the students an overall look at America's history and the different events which have shaped our country.

Accessibility/Diversity: This encyclopedia will appeal to every student in the school due to the vast number of photographs, maps, and other visuals. The text and pictures are directly related so struggling readers will be able to locate information easily. Since the information covers such a wide span of time, all students should find it relevant to their backgrounds and lives.

Cost: \$29.99

Professional Review:

McGuire, B. (2015). Children's encyclopedia of American history. *School Library Journal*, 61(2), 56.

Ebookwormy1 says

Children's Encyclopedia of American History is a valuable resource. Even if we weren't homeschooling, I would want to own this book to supplement learning American history. Primary source illustrations and brief text provide an engaging overview. Maps and photographs are typical of the format and publisher, but what I particularly liked are the primary source illustrations. Artwork, hand bills, line drawings (one by John Smith, one by Daniel Boone in early chapters), models of ships and photographs of traditional housing provide not only data, but a visual feel for a time period.

Although somewhat biased in places (there is a somewhat disproportionate mention of women and the environment as well as disproportionate praise of FDR), overall the text captures important people and events with brevity. Even though the occasional paragraph doesn't ring true, overall this is a solid work, and you will be hard pressed to find much better (unless a biased work completely in favor of your opinions is what you are seeking).

Appendices continue the pattern of excellence in presentation combined with commitment to primary sources. Presidents of the United States and Facts about the United States are followed by The Declaration of

Independence and the Constitution, including the Bill of Rights.

Highly recommended for students of all ages seeking to understand the timeline of American history.

Rebecca says

It is an encyclopedia, so it is hard to be excited about reading it. However, this one is laid out nicely with timelines and illustrations that make it fun to learn about American History.

We have only made it through the first half with our 3rd grade studies and will pick up the rest and update our review after next year's studies.

Amelia says

Citation:

Children's Encyclopedia of American History. (2015). New York: Dorling Kindersley Publishing, Inc.

Citation by:

Amelia Ford

Type of reference:

Encyclopedia

Call Number:

Ref 900

Content/Scope:

This title is an essential resource for understanding American history and the events that have shaped the creation of the United States. It has more than 750 photographs and art pieces - plus extensive maps, charts, and state-specific information.

Accuracy/Authority/Bias:

This book was created in collaboration with the Smithsonian Institution and has accurate historical information.

Arrangement/Presentation:

Arranged chronologically into 18 chapters, each section begins with a time line and an overview of the period.

Relation to other works:

This title goes well with the collection, especially those references having to do with American History. It can be specifically used in a social studies classroom.

Accessibility/Diversity:

The book has increased in size, allowing for larger images, font, and charts, and the color quality is enhanced as well. It is visually attractive and can be a great resource for students that are struggling understanding history and factual information.

Cost:
29.99

Professional Review:

Mcguire, B. (2015). Children's Encyclopedia of American History. School Library Journal 61(2), 56

JoAnne Styger says

We studied this book for two years as part of our homeschool curriculum. Interesting, engaging, and well illustrated. I also found it to be fair and balanced. The vocabulary is complicated (without enough definitions) for children, and not as well done as other encyclopedias I've used.
