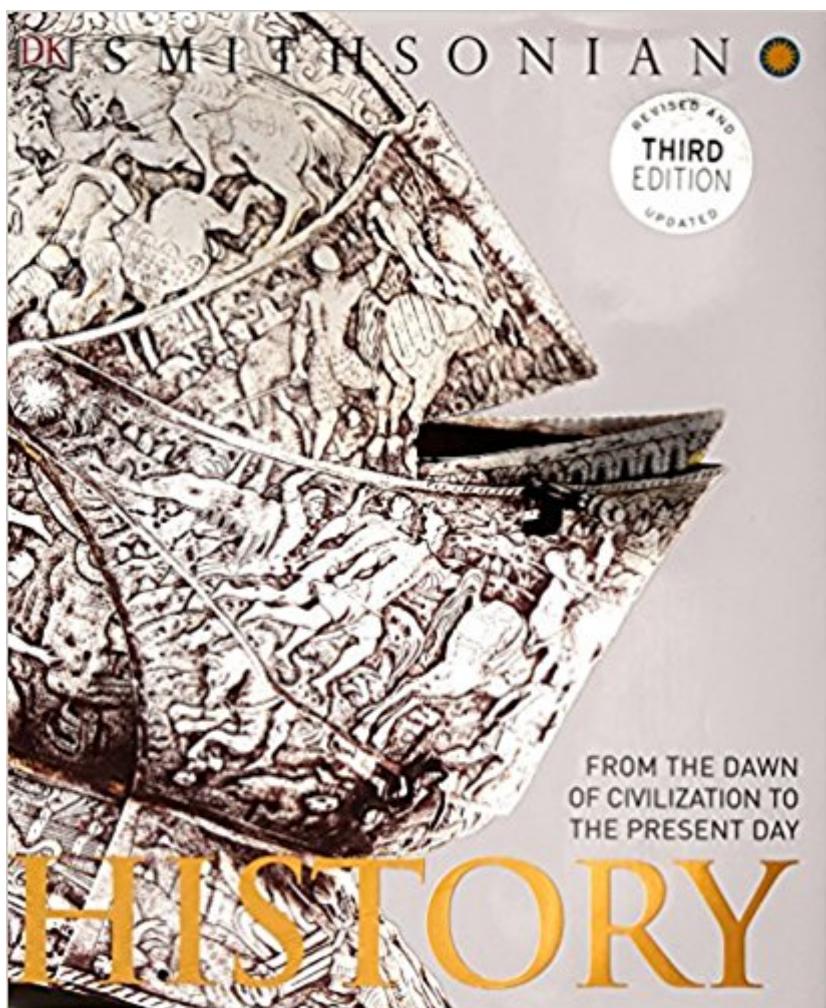


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# History: From The Dawn Of Civilization To The Present Day



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A big book with very large pages filled with numerous photos, diagrams information . Anyone who enjoys history will enjoy this for reference and just to look at and browse/read.

Gosh I love this book. Its very heavy, so definitely not one to read in bed. It is suitable for ages 10 and up. I bought it for an adult, who has little to no knowledge of history and who dislikes reading. And it is a hit. The timeline is laid out simply, with photos and small parapraphs, giving the reader enough information to learn about world events.

I've been looking for a comprehensive history book that covers FOREVER, for a long time. Yes, it does not have essays per period and person, but has enough detail to suffice the average person looking for perspective. Lots of beautiful pictures and fascinating information. Includes timeliness, people, events, agriculture, climate, and much more to make it an all inclusive history, rather than just following rulers and their dynasties, which, however is a good portion. I'm very happy with this book, both on content, style, and quality.

An incredibly well done survey of the great sweep of human history. My high school homeschooler loves it. I am sometimes a bit skeptical of the DK graphics-heavy style, but it works very well with this subject. The maps, in particular, are always informative and often beautiful.

One of my favorite books ever! Filled to the brim with rich history and great photographs. However, due to its size and weight it makes for difficult reading in bed. Hard to hold comfortably, which prompted me to wonder whether a digital version might be preferred.

I bought this for pleasure reading rather than for a class and it was a very good choice. Such wonderful pictures! Text is written in brief articles, picture captions, and brief facts making it a pleasure to read rather than having to plow through pages of droning text. It doesn't go into great depth on any area or time - after all, it is the history of the WHOLE world - but it does go into greater depth than I expected. It even has a couple of hundred pages in the back with timelines of major events broken down by regions of the world and then by individual countries - great reference! Only a couple of issues: the font is VERY small, and the main text jumps around all over the world by time periods sometimes giving place names without reference to what part of the world it is in. If I were to teach a course on this subject, this book would not be my first choice, but if you have an interest in history and just want to read on your own, this book is a great choice.

There are lots of pictures in this book. The time lines for ancient to medieval history are succinct, but become too elaborate for later history, perhaps as to be expected. Occasionally there are odd omissions or downplaying of people or events, and perhaps a bit of bias here and there. But, it is informative for early history. It is not meant to be an accurate compendium evidently, but with this in mind, it is a useful survey.

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