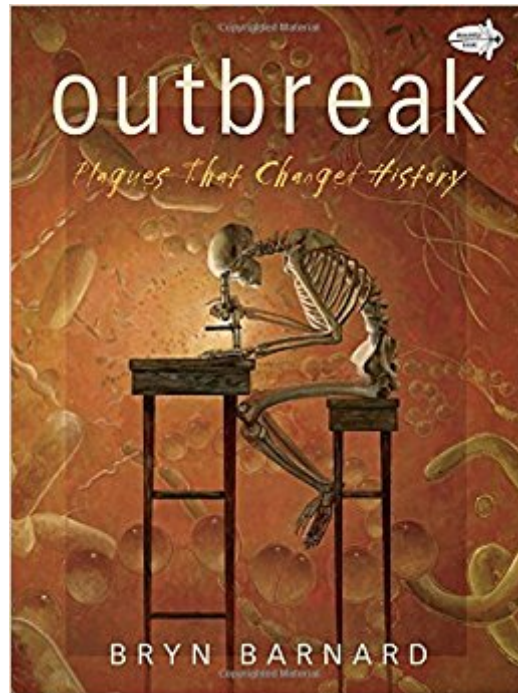




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Outbreak! Plagues That Changed History



Synopsis

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Filled with fascinating, often gory details about disease and history, *Outbreak!* is a wonderful combination of science and history. From the Hardcover edition.

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Grade 5-8 “This well-written volume explores specific plagues that have impacted society. Barnard begins with an introduction to microbes and the positive and negative effects that they can have on humans. A history of the study of microorganisms follows. The bulk of the book then focuses on specific plagues with a chapter devoted to each, including the Black Death, smallpox, yellow fever, cholera, tuberculosis, and influenza. The final chapter discusses the modern struggle

against disease. A thorough glossary and a detailed list of sources are included. The evocative paintings help to clarify the text. Browsers and report writers alike will find this to be a fascinating and informative resource. --Deanna Romriell, Salt Lake City Library, UT Copyright © Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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Good book. It taught me a great deal about the supposed origins and times of different plagues such as the Spanish Flu of the First World War, Smallpox and the Bubonic plagues and how many repetitive cycles there were. The author uses his family as models in stylized portraits representing particular periods which is quite clever. My wife and I enjoyed it. She studied microanatomy, biochemistry and physiology at university, but it was written for almost all levels. Kids should find it interesting. I would put it in the school libraries. Chris Landau April 29, 2017.

I use this book as a way to bring more reading into my science classroom per the new Common Core Standards. It is interesting enough for my 7th graders, but provides enough challenging language to provide discussion. It connects what they are learning in history to a surprising amount of what we learn about in life science. Great illustrations too.

A well written and well explained book that discusses a lot more than what was expected. It's a must read for public health students

Well written page turner that connects the historical dots - interweaving classic outbreaks of disease with historical world events across the human timeline. Very interesting perspective, and not at all dry or pedantic.

Great for teaching about plague outbreaks in Middle school.

bought for my sisters summer reading list. said it was the right book

My son found this book in his school library and loved it so much I gave it as a Christmas gift. It is unique for its blending of history and science. Well written and illustrated - it will at least get your kids to wash their hands regularly!

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