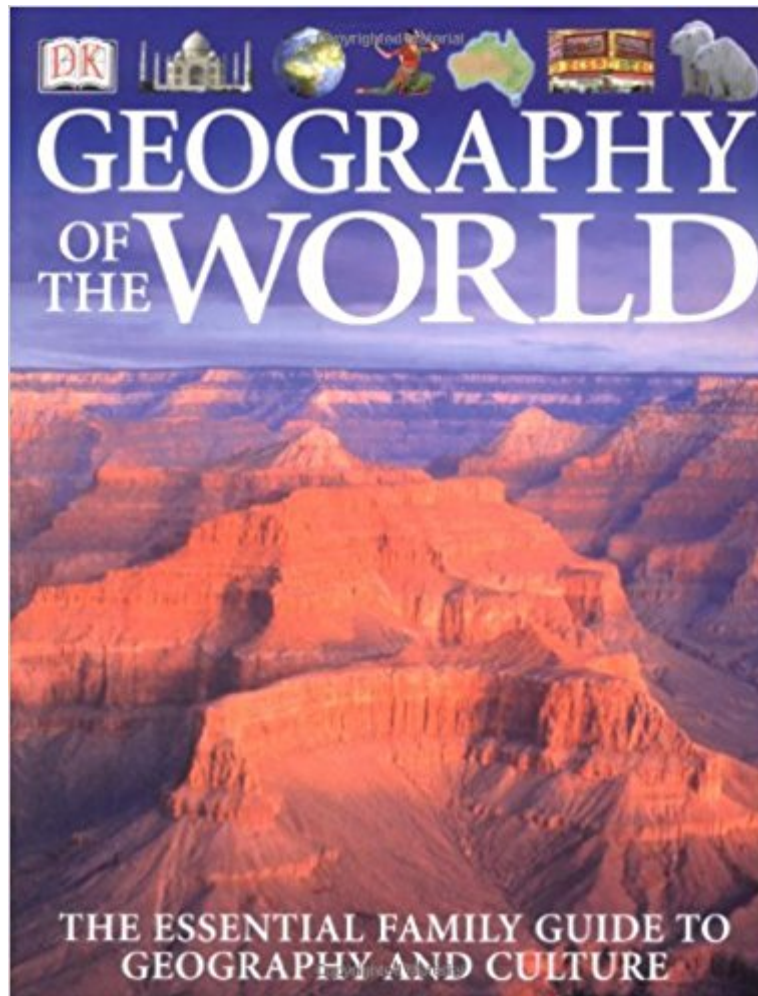




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Customer Reviews

I bought the hardcover version of this book as a gift for a teenager. After I thumbed through it, I bought the paperback version for myself. Why? Because its format, with maps, pictures, and easy readability, makes it interesting to pick up and look through, and a closed book is just a piece of wood. This makes a good "coffee table" book. It doesn't require reading all the way through to be interesting. On the other hand, it does have its drawbacks. Most countries are covered on one page, or one-half page, or only one-third of a page. With a large part of that taken up by those maps and pictures, the coverage is of necessity cursory. For example, it doesn't even mention that Mexico has states. (The full proper name is "Los Estados Unidos de Mexico" - "The United States of Mexico"). That is a fact that I learned only when I visited and toured three of the states. If you want in-depth information on a country, you must look elsewhere. And, as some have mentioned, some of the

information is outdated, stereotyped, or of questionable relevance and importance. That is not to diminish the value of this book, though. There is a lot to be learned from it, and it provides a good general view of the world. Sometimes there is a great value in simplicity. Anyone who knew everything in this book would certainly be geography-savvy, and would know far more about the world than 99+% of the population.

I am not a teacher, however I purchased this book in order to supplement my child's education at home. I was quite impressed with the layout of this book and how it is organized. It is an easy text to follow and builds logically from one topic to the next which makes it easy for children to retain the information.

I saw this book in my dentist's office and I had to have it. It has very interesting data about different aspects of the countries of the world. Everyone should have a copy of this book.

A very informative, well-planned book that I need to take the time to study in depth.

Has a lot of mistakes. This is good for my 14 year old grandson to work with our help.

I got this book to aid me in learning the countries of the world. This is perfect for that. The book is divided into continents, then regions, then countries. Each continent and region has a preface talking about major things in that area and cultures. What interests me most, is the information about individual countries. Each country has a picture of it within a zoomed in map, so you get an idea of the shape of the country. It has a quick facts section, that talks about size, population, religions, education, doctors, and how many TVs per-person (one way to gauge wealth). Then it has the main part for the country, where it talks a little about the culture, people, interesting facts, and sometimes a little history background. This works for me in learning countries, it is also going to be helpful when I hear of a country and want to know a little more about it. Also, it has lots of pictures and great page quality.

I have always loved DK books. They are the most expressive and colorful learning book around. Most of them are written for children but as an adult, I totally love them. They present facts simply and to the point. I recommend all of their books but especially their geography books.

I just wanted to be able to locate countries and get a little knowledge while I watched the Olympics. This book had just the right amount of information. The index could be improved - difficult to tell which referenced page is the main entry.

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