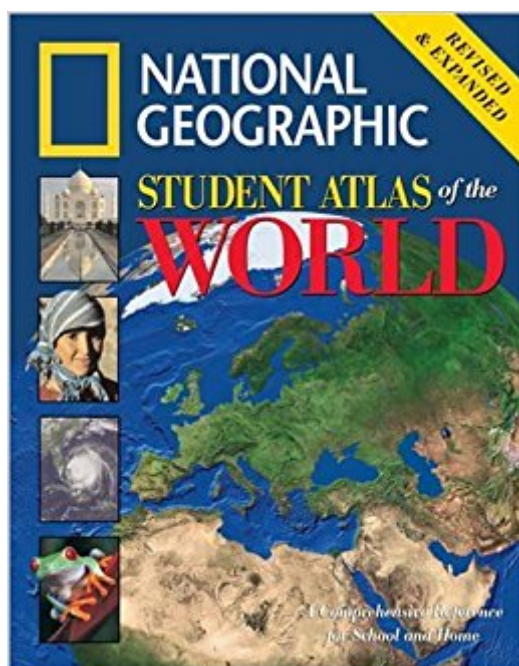


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Synopsis

Specially designed for secondary school students, this compact atlas puts the world at readers' finger tips. Full of maps, charts & graphs, photographs, flags & facts, it explores the world's physical & human systems, including Earth's geological history, natural vegetation, & world cultures.

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Customer Reviews

The goal of this colorful atlas is to help students in grades six through nine "better understand basic geographic concepts and compare and contrast information critical to making global connections." National Geographic atlases are known for their excellent introductory material, and this one is no exception. In fact, more than 50 pages of introductory material precede the maps. These pages cover an array of topics organized under "Physical Systems" and "Human Systems" and expose students to a variety of thematic, political, and physical maps. By comparison, the map section of the atlas seems a bit skimpy. Arrangement is by continent, and information is presented in fairly broad strokes. A box containing "Facts and Figures" and a satellite map kick off each continent's section, followed by a physical map, a political map, and thematic maps covering climate, precipitation, population, and economic factors. In "North America," there are also elevation and political maps specific to Canada, Mexico, and the U.S. Political maps show little more than major divisions, capitals, and a few other cities. Each continent section concludes with a two-page feature that homes in on a particular theme, for example, the Great Rift Valley in "Africa" and World Heritage sites in "Asia." Following the atlas portion of the volume are a "Countries of the World" section with statistics and flags, a glossary, and a list of Web sites. There are two indexes: one for themes and one for place-names. If the goal is simply to find a location, this atlas is not the first

place a student should look. Since its emphasis is thematic, it doesn't take the place of a more generally useful tool, such as The Kingfisher Student Atlas (2003). However, it provides a good introduction to different mapping concepts. Mary Ellen Quinn Copyright © American Library Association. All rights reserved --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Excellent student desktop resource! My 4th graders are fascinated by these and many request that they use them during free reading time. Even though we use virtual resources too, students enjoy the convenience of lying on the floor with a buddy to flip through the pages of these great books. Sadly, they are no longer being printed.

I wanted to buy an useful and not too expensive Geographic Atlas. I dedicated quite a lot of time to evaluating my options, and ended up deciding that this Atlas was likely to be a good choice, basing my decision on the sample pages that offers. Fortunately, when I received my purchase, I discovered that I had made the right decision :) I guess I was lucky. I thought that this Atlas was probably good, so I took the chance and bought it... However, I could have been wrong. The problem is that this Atlas had no customer reviews, and I generally make my decisions regarding what to buy in based on the experiences of others who have already purchased the item I want. The reason for that is that an editorial review can be inaccurate, and the back cover can (sometimes) provide inexact information, but other customers generally tell the truth... Now, I'd like to correct the lack of reviews on this Atlas by writing one. I really don't need to say too much, basically that all that the back cover says is true. You can read that back cover in the sample pages, and you can also read the table of contents and an excerpt. Anyway, if you don't want to spend time doing that, I can repeat to you some of the facts you could read there :) First of all, I want to highlight the fact that there are 90 detailed and colorful maps. Those maps include physical and political maps, maps about climate and precipitation, and about population. In addition to that, the maps are separated in different sections, and at the end of each section there is a chapter that centers on a particular problem. For example, at the end of the section dedicated to North America, the focus is on natural hazards, and in the section dedicated to South America the focus is on the Rain Forest. There are other chapters that focus on special themes in the sections regarding Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia and Oceania, and Antarctica. As if that were not enough, you can find many charts and graphs alongside the maps. What is more, the organization of the information that accompanies them is clear and didactical. You will also be able to find country flags and facts, and some web sites where you will be able to find updated information, even after buying this Atlas. There is also a

Glossary that defines some terms the average reader might not be familiar with, and a thematic Index. On the whole, my opinion is that this Atlas is great. It probably isn't the finest Geographic Atlas you can buy, but I think that it is likely to be the best you can buy at this highly reasonable price. I strongly recommend it, if you need an Atlas that is useful, not too big (so as to carry it with you) and specially not expensive. I think that you will enjoy reading it, and that you will learn a lot :)

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Exactly as expected. Good and accurate atlas.

The only review of this item liked it very much. Unfortunately, it didn't mention that it's 5+ years out of date. I thought that Yugoslavia didn't exist anymore and was surprised to see it in the index at about 5 or 6 places. (I wanted to find the new country(s)). Well! It does exist in this version. Why it is still offered when the revised edition has been published is a mystery to me.

National Geographic Student Atlas of the World is a book for every home with children. It will become the go to book when doing homework and learning about our world for fun. My daughter used this daily and did very well in school!

Good for younger kids or to have in a class room for ref

Disappointed with the maps

This book helped me study for geography. Good information and facts. Will use often for reference.

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