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National Geographic Kids Everything Battles: Arm Yourself With Fierce Photos And Fascinating Facts



Synopsis

National Geographic Kids Everything Battles captures all of the action and valor of the battlefield, as well as the trappings that go with it. Kids will browse eye-popping photographs and illustrations, as they peruse fascinating facts and information about armor, weapons, uniforms, technology, military jets, battleships, military technology, top-secret intelligence and more. Topics include five ultimate battles, the greatest commanders of all time, and an entirely interactive chapter, in which kids can decipher a secret code, develop their own battlefield strategy, and more. Throughout this dynamic book, layers of authoritative information and fun sidebars and facts make historic events accessible and fascinating for young readers. National Geographic supports K-12 educators with ELA Common Core Resources. Visit www.natgeoed.org/commoncore for more information.

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Customer Reviews

Like its mates in the Everything series, this browser-friendly title fills up single-topic spreads (here battles) with a colorful mix of historical images, period photos, and pictures of costumed reenactors accompanied by breezy commentary: The samurai were stylin'—uh, c. Considering the vast scope of the subject—uh, soldiers, armies, and weaponry through history; land, sea, and air battles; strategy and tactics; spies; modern gadgetry; and more—uh, the details are sparse but

rarely simplistic. Sometimes the text is confusing: carping critics might note that George Custer is dubbed an excellent and lousy leader in the same paragraph. Sidebars from war correspondent Mark Bauman, an entire final section of painless tests and quizzes, and back matter that includes strategy games as well as print and web resources enhance the appeal. Grades 4-6. --John Peters

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Great book

My son loves the pictures.

Lots of info for kids (though major emphasis is on US wars). Also well illustrated

Anxious to give this to my grandson.

The use of basic shapes to do the designs is very good! My grandson will enjoy this for his birthday.

War is an unfortunate part of life, and it is only natural that youngsters are curious about the ins and outs of it. But how to provide the knowledge children crave without getting bogged down in gory details, and also without glorifying such a violent topic? National Geographic provides an answer with *Everything Battles*, a fact-filled book just for kids that will tell them everything they ever wanted to know and then some. Children can explore the elements of battle throughout history, from Egyptian chariots to WWII fighter planes. They can read about how battles are conducted on land, by sea, and in the air. They can learn all about weapons throughout history, the evolution of body armor, and what kinds of technology may influence fighting in the years to come. There are fantastic pictures throughout, and every single page is packed with facts and historical tidbits; the information in here covers battles the world over, too, not just ones out of American history. *Everything Battles* may not be filled with

everything there is to know about warfare, but it's certainly a good place to start! This review originally written for Sacramento/San Francisco Book Review.

Battles have been apart of every cultures history since the beginning of time. Although bloodshed occurs, these conflicts have decided the fate of nations, cultures and civilizations. Extraordinary photography and art work will give readers an up close and personal look at famous battles like the Civil War, Cajamarca, World War II, Waterloo and Huai-Hai or Chinese Civil War. If you were wondering whose in charge of sending soldiers into battle, readers will learn about, Kings, generals and even roman rulers such as Julius Caesar. During World War I, 12,000 miles of trenches scarred the battle fields of Europe. During the American Revolution men ate rock soup and even their own shoe leather when their rations were depleted. There is nothing truly exciting about war, but its history and reasoning will have readers engaged, surprised and eager to learn. The back of the book has an interactive glossary, websites and books for more information. Parents and teachers will love having this guide on the shelves.

I would say this is appropriate for 2nd or 3rd graders. The content is too light for kids in grades higher than that. Pictures are good quality, book is printed on thick paper. Nice product. Stimulates the imagination. Too bad nothing, not even one page, on the horrors or suffering of war.

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