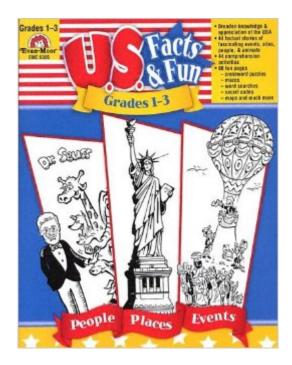
U.S. Facts & Fun, Grades 1-3





Synopsis

U.S. Facts & Fun, Grades 13 presents a variety of informative topics: Events, such as the Iditarod race, the invention of the telephone, and the creation of the U.S. flag. People, such as Levi Strauss, Dr. Seuss, and Annie Oakley. Animals, such as prairie dogs, state birds, and alligators. Sites, such as the Great Salt Lake, MammothCave, and Tornado Alley. Use these short stories to make connections with holidays, celebrations, and other curricular topics or to practice nonfiction reading skills.

Book Information

Paperback: 192 pages Publisher: Evan Moor Educational Publishers (January 1, 2005) Language: English ISBN-10: 1596730021 ISBN-13: 978-1596730021 Product Dimensions: 8.4 x 0.6 x 10.8 inches Shipping Weight: 1.2 pounds (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.3 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (6 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #505,292 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #380 in Books > Education & Teaching > Schools & Teaching > Instruction Methods > Social Studies #8572 in Books > Education & Teaching > Schools & Teaching > Education Theory #89811 in Books > Children's Books Age Range: 6 and up Grade Level: 1 and up

Customer Reviews

This book was a little disappointing for me. I was hoping it would simple introduction to U. S. History since I didn't want to overload my 6 year old who had already chosen to do ancient history and geography this year. One problem with this book is that there is no sequencing. We jumped from alligators to the gold rush with no sort of transition. Also, the actual information for each lesson is very short. I do like the review pages that help students review the readings for content, but the other pages feel like a waste. I'm not sure my child is going to remember a historical story just because she did a maze or color by number that is similarly themed. Overall, this feels more like a rainy day fun project book than a real history book.

I bought this after a colleague gave me some lessons she had gotten from this book. I am thrilled it was available. The students enjoy learning about history in short lessons and I can choose them at random. Wonderful! Would also use in a sub folder.

As a public school teacher, I have used this book with second and third graders for the last few years. Each topic has a short, but interesting story based on people, places, and events in U.S. history. Some of our favorites have been the ones for Hershey, PA, The California Gold Rush, and Johnny Appleseed. Following each story is a quick comprehension activity such as fill in the blank in a sentence, unscramble a word, or match a clue to its answer. Then there are two fun pages with related activities such as word searches, riddles, mazes, and dot to dots. The children enjoy all of the activities. This book is geared for children in grades 1-3, but I feel they are a bit too easy for third graders. I plan on ordering the 4-6th grade edition as well. This is a valuable resource for linking social studies with ELA in a package that is appealing to children and something that they can complete independently. I recommend it!

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