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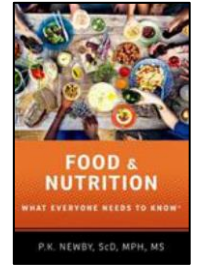
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Food and Nutrition: What Everyone Needs to Know

By: Newby, P.K.
RA784 .N482 2018

Review from: *Journal of the Medical Library Association* July 01, 2019

This book is marketed to appeal to the casual lay reader, with an almost overwhelming focus on factual data. Given the chicanery present in much of nutrition and diet publishing that is refreshing...It is a vast scope for 293 pages. Because Newby wants to cover so much ground, her approach must be broad. In her quest to span both global and individual food issues, some things, such as the federal government bodies and policies that affect so much of the business of food, are overlooked. ...Given the broad scope of this work, it is a challenge to find a book with which to compare it...

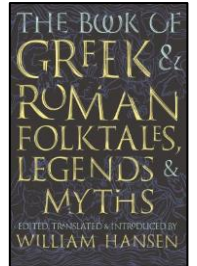


The Book of Greek & Roman Folktales, Legends, & Myths

Editor: Hansen, William F.
BL312 .B66 2017 eBook

Review from: *Pennsylvania Literary Journal* October 01, 2019

This book invites both adult and younger readers by the inclusion of illustrations and dramatic tales with historic significance... Many of the stories take up a single page, so an extraordinary quantity of ancient plots has been compressed into this single volume...Featuring nearly four hundred stories in authoritative and highly readable translations, this is the first book to offer a representative selection of the entire range of traditional classical storytelling...scholars who are researching these ancient times will find evidence in these pages of what the culture and daily lives of these diverse individuals were like. This type of multi-level comprehension is necessary for a scholar of literature, history, biography and other such fields to enter a foreign world and to describe it to others from this internal perspective...

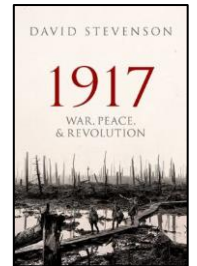


1917: War, Peace, and Revolution

By: Stevenson, David
D521 .S828 2017 eBook

Review from: *Kirkus Reviews* November 01, 2017

Thoroughgoing study of the year that gave at least a hint of promise that World War I would indeed be the war to end all wars. By 1917, writes Stevenson (International History/London School of Economics; With Our Backs to the Wall: Victory and Defeat in 1918, 2011, etc.), the fighting on the western front had bogged down into mutual slaughter...Two signal events occurred to shake things up in 1917: the Russian Revolution occurred, soon to remove Russia from the fight, and the United States entered the conflict, pouring men and materiel into combat and ending the stalemate...Stevenson examines the deeper implications of strategic and diplomatic decisions during the penultimate year of the conflict, casting a new light on events...



So You Want to Be a Cop: What Everyone Should Know Before Entering a Law Enforcement Career

By: Evola, Alley
HV8143 .E96 2017 eBook

Review from: *Booklist* June 01, 2017

Evola gives readers a thrilling insider's look at the often-glorified job of an American cop. Opening on an action-packed scene that could be taken straight out of a Michael Bay movie, her first book is an immersing read for anyone curious about the world of law enforcement, and should be required reading for those considering a career in the field. Evola's no-nonsense voice is powerful, witty, and engaging. She doesn't sugarcoat the challenges of the profession, or the effects it has on an officer's personal life, health, and sanity. She tells plenty of the funny, tragic, and poignant war stories one could expect from a veteran police officer, but makes it clear the job is not for the faint of heart, or a commitment to be taken lightly...

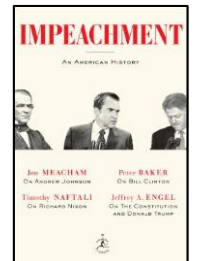


Impeachment: An American History

By: Engel, Jeffrey A. et al.
KF5075 .I47 2018 eBook

Review from: *Kirkus Reviews* October 13, 2018

A set of scholarly essays introduced by presidential scholar Engel offers historical context and precedent to a sticky Constitutional issue very much in the current public debate. "Only three times in American history has a president's conduct led to such political outrage or disarray as to warrant his potential removal from office," writes Engel (Founding Director, Center for Presidential History/Southern Methodist Univ.; When the World Seemed New: George H.W. Bush and the End of the Cold War, 2017, etc.) in his introduction. Here, Engel and three other notable scholars present and analyze the cases. Weary of the sins of tyrants, the framers of the Constitution recognized the need for a strong unifying leader yet had the prescience to know that the ballot box alone could not deter corruption. Moreover, impeachment guarded against the recourse to assassination, while the steep legislative hurdles to the impeachment process resisted removing a president solely due to unpopularity...

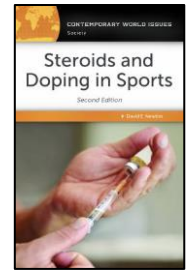


Steroids and Doping in Sports: A Reference Handbook

By: Newton, David E.
RC1230 .N48 2018

Review from: *Booklist*

With the 2014 suspension of popular baseball player Alex Rodriguez, steroid use among athletes is once again front-page news. This new addition to ABC-CLIO's Contemporary World Issues series offers readers an overview of the health and ethical issues facing athletes and sports officials. The first section of the book covers the background and history of performance-enhancing drugs...There are arguments for and against the use of steroids, arguments about their legalization, a discussion of their legitimate use by transsexuals undergoing transition, and a look at steroid abuse...



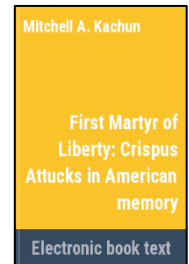
First Martyr of Liberty: Crispus Attucks in American Memory

By: Kachun, Mitchell A.
E185.97.A86 K33 2017 eBook

Review from: *Historian*

March 01, 2019

In this meticulously researched examination of the life, death, and historical afterlife of Crispus Attucks, Mitch Kachun takes on the near-impossible task of reconstructing the life of a mixed-race, formerly enslaved but self-emancipated man killed by British soldiers during the Boston Massacre. His intent is less to write a memoir or biography than to separate facts and informed inferences from creative fictions and "inspired" inventions...Kachun illuminates the various ways that blacks and whites alike have used, abused, forgotten, claimed, embellished, denigrated, erased, deracinated, narrated, depicted, and/or critiqued the "first martyr," especially from the pre-Civil War era through the early-21st-century Black Lives Matter movement...



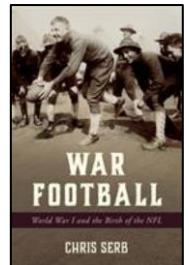
War Football: World War I and the Birth of the NFL

By: Serb, Chris
GV950 .S47 2019 eBook

Review from: *Library Journal*

August 01, 2019

In this impressively researched volume, journalist Serb (Sam's Boys: The History of Chicago's Leone Beach and Legendary Lifeguard Sam Leone) makes the plausible argument that the success of military service football during World War I prompted the establishment of the National Football League one year later. These games and teams demonstrated that fans would show up for post-graduate football that lacked college connections...Serb details the proliferation of service ball at U.S. military bases in 1917-18 while the army and navy were being assembled, and features extensive accounts of significant contests. Several soldiers who played service ball during the Great War would later play in the NFL...

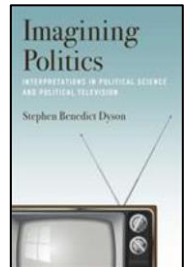


Imagining Politics: Interpretations in Political Science and Political Television

By: Dyson, Stephen Benedict
JA75.7 .D97 2019 eBook

Review from: *Choice*

"When a reality television personality becomes the president of the United States, it's time to pay attention to what television can tell us about politics." So states a blurb on publisher's website for this volume. Dyson (Univ. of Connecticut) attempts to bridge academic and pop culture interpretations of politics, specifically, to connect political television and the discipline of political science. He harmonizes disciplinary and societal interpretations of politics by exploring "serious" features of political dramas such as West Wing and House of Cards, alongside academic reactions to real-world political experiences such as the election of Donald Trump and Brexit...



Broad Band: The Untold Story of the Women Who Made the Internet

By: Evans, Claire Lisa
QA76.2.A2 E93 2018 eBook

Review from: *Kirkus Reviews*

January 31, 2018

A history of the major role women played in creating the internet and the computer industry. Long before there were machines called computers, women worked as "computers," performing complex mathematical computations by hand for the U.S. Naval Observatory and other entities. When male engineers designed the first computing machines, using relays and switches and then vacuum tubes, they hired these same women to become the operators and programmers of the machines. Evans, the former futures editor of VICE's Motherboard and founding editor of its sci-fi imprint, Terraform, tells the fascinating story of how these highly intelligent, mathematically astute women were pioneers in a new field integral to the rise of the computer age. Since there were no training manuals, they had to figure out how the Mark I or the ENIAC computers worked by studying the hardware. Then they invented the software to run them and went back and wrote the training manuals for others to use. They wrote code, created ballistic trajectories for the war effort during World War II, invented the languages used by microprocessors today, designed searchable databases that were used to connect people across the country, and figured out a standard addressing format, which has led to the billions of .com, .org, .gov designations found online today...

