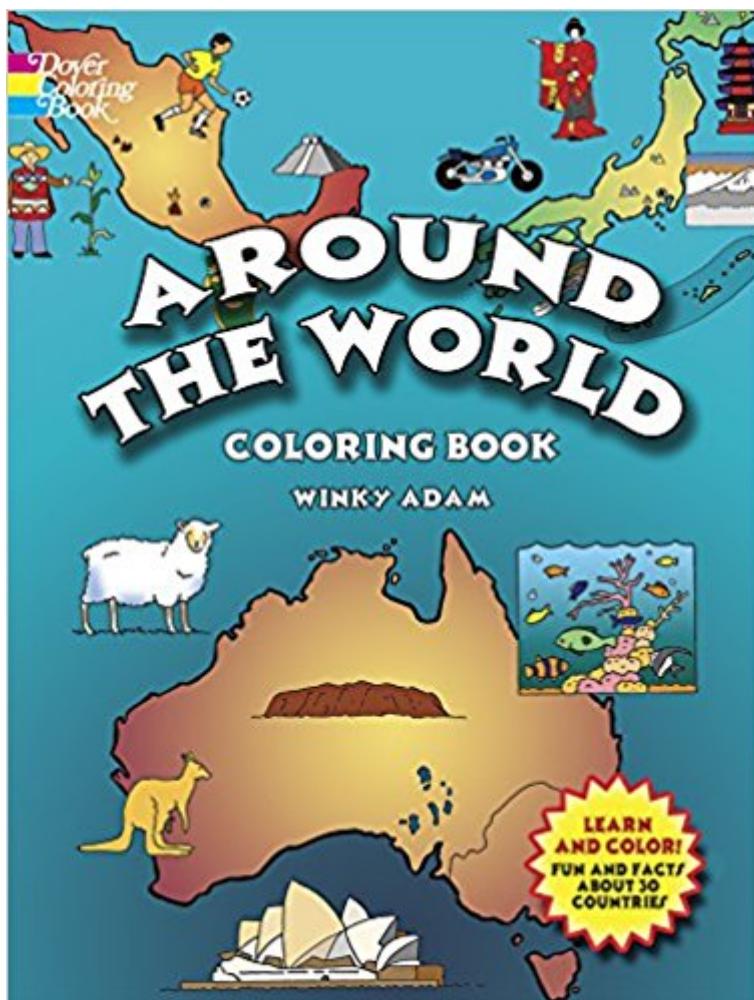


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Synopsis

Ideal for home or classroom use, this entertaining and educational coloring book helps youngsters identify and locate Mexico, Argentina, Saudi Arabia, India, Spain, France, Nigeria, and 23 other countries of the world. A map of each nation contains names of major cities and is accompanied by ready-to-color pictures of each country's national flag, landmarks, and natural resources. Engaging facts and statistics highlight the unique features of each country. A useful learning tool for elementary school students, the Around the World Coloring Book will also provide preschoolers with challenging activities.

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 11 years

Grade Level: 3 - 6

Customer Reviews

I bought this coloring book for a unit study on countries. On each page, it has an outline of the country with capital, mountains, rivers, etc labeled. It has a box at the bottom of the page titled Fast Facts which includes the capital, area, population, language, currency and main exports. It also has a blank flag (all the colored flags are listed on the back page of the book). Then it has little symbols to color in around the map with descriptions (i.e. Spain it has a flamenco dancer with description, Brazil has rain forest animals, etc.) The information I would have liked to know before I bought it was which countries did it feature? Here they are: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, China, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy,

Japan, North Korea, South Korea, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, Norway, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, and United Kingdom. Quite the handy little book for the price!

I love this book, the concept, the price, the fun. I would definitely buy it as a gift for a young child. But, I was distressed to see some inaccuracies. I haven't read the whole thing, and I'm not an expert on every country, but here were the ones I saw:-"The tomato plant was first grown in Argentina." Most experts say they're from PERU, where the greatest biological diversity was found, some say maybe Ecuador. It was definitely up in the Andes, so it's possible it was over the border in Argentina, but I've seen no credible source claiming that.-The Australian national wonder, once called Ayer's Rock, is now called ULURU, not "Ulura."-The Wodaabe nomads have an annual male beauty pageant which usually occurs in Niger, not Nigeria. With all the ethnic groups in Nigeria, I'm surprised they highlighted one mainly associated with Niger. There are some other odd editorial choices in terms of what is highlighted. Some nations seem to be shafted in terms of interesting facts- when there are so many available. I thought Turkey's page was wildly lackluster- no mentions of grand empires, Constantinople, Suleiman the Magnificent, whirling dervishes, turkish delight, kilim carpets.. Instead we find out about its production of tobacco and their native Angora goats which produce mohair wool. Turkey barely makes the top ten in tobacco producing countries, and it's not in the top mohair producers. But, as long as you aren't taking this coloring book as gospel, it's still great for teaching kids the name and shapes of many countries as well as MANY interesting facts, almost all of which are true.

Eventually, will need to get a library cataloguing system for its millions of items. Would you have guessed there was a coloring book for countries "Around the World" unless you just happened across it as I did with this little book? Nope, me neither."Around the World" takes the colorist exactly there: to "more than thirty nations, with fun stories, facts, and illustrations to highlight the features that makes each country special" (Note from copyright page). Here is a specific example: Saudi Arabia (Asia/Middle East) with a country outline in the upper center of the page (for coloring). Inside the borders are images of a camel and a man's bust (head and shoulders picture). The man wears a ghutra; the book explains it. At the bottom of the page are a Saudi flag (just itching to be colored) and a list of Fast Facts about Arabia. Images of Saudi Arabia that lie outside the borders include a ship carrying oil, one of Mecca with explanation of its importance to Islam and the last of The Rub al Khala ("Empty Quarter"), a place completely uninhabitable. A teacher could use a book like this as a

culminating activity to a study of the countries of the world, or as an introduction, especially if projects are assigned. A sampling of the thirty countries includes Russia, the region of Scandinavia, United Kingdom, Japan, North and South Korea, Indonesia, Ireland, and Australia. The point of this book is to provide basic information about each country in a simple format for coloring; yet, don't expect a typical coloring book. However, there is enough to color to make a point. Recommended.

We have one of these books, along with many other dover coloring books, for each of our kids. We used them as part of our homeschool to introduce countries. They have interesting details to color and it makes for simple lessons to read the information aloud while the kids are coloring the pages. This along with the United States coloring book and a couple wall maps or a globe is enough for a year's worth of geography for a 4 or 5 year old.

My little girls (8, 5, and 3) love to color when I read, and I like the coloring page to be related to topic. The coloring pages help keep them interested in the topic, and stop fights from starting. Dover coloring books really made school easier and more fun for all of us. Best for K-2nd grade.

I purchased this book to go along with our Geography studies and it's a perfect tie in to what I had planned. We aren't planning to use it as a coloring book b/c it's so much more than that! There are fun facts and images on each page and it's a great 'bonus' to any geography study you may be doing!

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