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Area Studies (countries of the world)


This CDROM series offers compilations from the 2001 Argentine census of population, housing, and households. The first CDROM contains data for the city of Buenos Aires with succeeding CDROMs scheduled to cover the provinces.


Doe Refe DD256.5.N723 2003

This guide provides access to the microfiche edition of the UC Berkeley NSDAP Propaganda Collection (NSDAP, or the National Socialist German Worker’s Party). The microfiche collection comprises over 1400 items. Fully described records for all items are arranged in broad categories. Subject headings are indicated each individual item. There is no further subject index as such. The guide includes a title index.

Rosenberg, Scott, 1967-

Doe Refe DT2554.R67 2004

This reference guide to Lesotho traces the history of the kingdom back to Moshoeshoe I in the late 1700s. Articles cover the people, events, concepts, and
organizations of Lesotho’s history, up to the present time. Also includes an extensive bibliography for further reading.

Fine Arts

Encyclopedia of American folk art / Gerard C. Wertkin, editor ; Lee Kogan, associate editor ; in association with the American Folk Art Museum.

"The Encyclopedia of American Folk Art is intended as a resource for researchers in American folk art and the categories of artistic endeavor that have become associated with it in recent decades through patterns of institutional collecting, museum exhibitions, and related publications and programs.” This richly illustrated volume contains articles on the artists as well as the myriad genres that make up American folk art. There are short articles and references to Native American, Asian, Hispanic and Black American traditions. This reference is overwhelmingly representative of folk art that is derivative of European cultures. Many articles include short bibliographies for further reading. Also includes a subject index.

General works

Innis, Pauline B.
Also issued online. Electronic location:
http://www.usaprotocol.com/toc.cfm

Everything you wanted to know about protocol, from how to address letters to diplomats to how to throw a proper Washington party. This reference book has it all, in excruciating detail. Also fully updated to include social protocol on the Internet. Also includes a website directory and bibliography for further reference. This resource is also available online.

Directory of libraries and archives in the Pacific Islands. 2nd ed. / edited by Arlene Cohen and Sandra Henderson.
Mangilao, Guam : University of Guam, c2003.

This second edition of the Directory of libraries and archives of Asia and the Pacific Islands lists libraries from Pacific Island nations and territories, excluding Hawaii (Hawaii is considered to have adequate reference sources already devoted to it). All contact information is listed along with web addresses, hours of services and descriptions of holdings and collections. Appendices include indexes by library and by name along with a brief subject index.

May, Debra Hart, 1961-
Everyday letters for busy people : hundreds of samples you can adapt at a moment's notice : invitations and resignations, complaints and condolences, e-mail and snail mail, and more  Rev. ed.
Everyday letters for busy people offers advice and examples for all types of letter writing occasions, both for business and social occasions. Examples are given on how to make your writing clear and easy to read, along with suggestions for avoiding jargon and awkward writing. There is a narrative chapter on advice and etiquette for email, but despite five chapters with subtitles “for letters and emails”, the book offers no real examples that distinguish email from letters. Also includes a brief subject index and title index of sample letters (and email letters, again, without differentiation).

Government Information and Political Science

Carey, Charles W.
African-American political leaders
A to Z of African Americans.

This reference source profiles over one hundred eighty African-American political leaders from the mid 1800s to the present. Leaders come from the national and state political scenes. Articles provide brief bibliographies for further reading. Also includes an extensive subject bibliography.

Everything you've ever wanted to know about EFTPS : for business and individual taxpayers : EFTPS educational/marketing CD ROM.
Publication (United States. Internal Revenue Service) ; 3959.

This CDROM explains the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System for business and individual taxpayers. The menu contains sections for taxpayers, practitioners, and financial institutions. Each section leads the user through the enrollment process, how to make payments, problem-solving, and rules and regulations. All associated documents are also made available in PDF.

History

Adam, Anthony J.
Black populism in the United States : an annotated bibliography
Bibliographies and indexes in Afro-American and African studies ; no. 45

“This annotated bibliography on Black populism covers that period most associated with the rise and fall of the agrarian movement at the close of the nineteenth century... All items are in English and with few exceptions published in the United States between 1880-2001.” Citations are arranged by category: manuscript collections, newspapers, books, periodical articles and essays, theses and dissertations, and websites. Appendices include a list of selected Black populists and a subject/name index.
“The 542 articles in the two volumes that constitute *The Encyclopedia of the Great Depression* are intended to provide the widest audience, both the general public and students of history, with accessible information and analysis, reflecting the latest scholarship, on an extensive variety of topics related to the Great Depression.” Articles contain short bibliographies for further reading. The set is richly illustrated with photographs, mostly from the Library of Congress and the National Archives and Records Administration. Also includes an extensive subject index.

Holloran, Peter C., 1947-
*Historical dictionary of New England*
Historical dictionaries of cities of the world ; no. 13.

New England is the first American region to appear in the series *Historical dictionaries of cities, states and regions* from Scarecrow Press. Articles highlight the people, places and events of New England, along with important aspects of the political, economic and social life of the region. Includes a chronology that sketches history from ca. 10,000 B.C.E. through 2002. Appendices include lists of state symbols for the area as well as an extensive selected bibliography.

Language (Grammars, dictionaries)

Balabakki, Ruhi.

This multi-lingual dictionary provides English and French definitions for words in the Arabic language.

Mark, Colin B. D.

“This book fulfils a keenly-felt need for a modern, comprehensive dictionary of Scottish-Gaelic into English. The numerous examples of usage and idiom in this work have been modeled on examples culled from modern literature, and encompass many registers, ranging from modern colloquial speech to more elaborate literary constructions… There are also twelve useful appendices which cover not only the various parts of speech, lenition, and proper nouns, but also address the more difficult issues of expressing time, direction and numerals.” Also contains sections on using the dictionary, spelling and pronunciation.
Roget’s super thesaurus has been updated and expanded in this third edition to include a comprehensive bank of synonyms, a reverse dictionary component, a built-in vocabulary book, quotations that double as synonyms, and antonyms. More than 400,000 synonyms and antonyms are listed, with more than 1,000 new entries to this edition.

The Oxford dictionary of proverbs compiles proverbs that are in current use in the British Isles. Proverbs that come from the United States or elsewhere are specifically excluded unless they are in current use in Britain. Along with definitions, entries include several quotations that show the context and usage of the proverb. Appendices also include a bibliography and thematic index. The subjects from the index are also indicated in the individual entries.

“This book is about some of the building blocks of the English language, those beginnings and endings that help form a large proportion of the words we use.” Many sidebar sections highlight subject areas, as in number words, or phobias. Also includes a selective thematic index.

The Encyclopedia of Latin American and Caribbean literature 1900-2003 draws together entries on all aspects of literature in these regions, including authors, cities, major works, magazines, genres and movements, from the beginning of the twentieth century to the present day. With more than 1200 alphabetically arranged entries…the Encyclopedia gives exceptionally wide-ranging coverage of writing on all the Spanish American countries and Brazil, as well as the Dutch, French, and English Caribbean.” Most articles have short lists for further reading. The volume begins with a narrative introductory essay and chronology. Also includes a bibliography and subject index.

The IRPE is an electronic inventory of Spanish poets from 1951-2000. The CDROM contains detailed information on each poet, including contact information and a list of major published collections. Also contains a selection of poetry and photographs of the poets as available.


"The volume focuses on writers from India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka. Included are several hundred alphabetically arranged entries on novelists, novels, and cinematic adaptations, as well as poets, dramatists, autobiographers, short story writers, theoreticians, critical terms, themes, genres, literary movements, and key historical events." Includes a chronology and list of entries by topic as well as a selected bibliography and subject index.


This German language reference source provides bibliographies of Austrian authors, citing critical works and essays, as well as biographical articles. Appendices index authors by birth date, birth place, death date, and place of death. Also includes a subject/title index.


World authors 1995-2000 continues the Wilson Author series, first begun in 1942. "This volume comprises biographical articles on more than 300 novelists, poets, dramatists, essayists, social scientists, biographers, and other authors who have published significant work within the period indicated." This series brings forth a multitude of authors, who while critically acclaimed, may not have been bestsellers, and thus are not necessarily well known. Many authors wrote a large portion of their own biographical material which compliments the critical analyses that appear. The volume also gives a list of suggested readings and a selection of books written by the authors.

Religious Studies and Philosophy

“This encyclopedia contains 130 entries, 60 sidebars of mainly primary text, and 60 photos that together are meant to provide broad and representative coverage of rituals in human history and across cultures.” In keeping with the editors statement that scholars “have yet to agree on the boundary (if such a boundary exists) between religious ritual and secular ritual”, the articles range from snake handling to Star Trek conventions. The editors strive to be broad-minded and represent cultures both Western and non-Western, religious and secular. Articles contain short bibliographies of further readings. It also contains a subject index.

Keown, Damien, 1951-
A dictionary of Buddhism

The Dictionary of Buddhism professes a modest aim, namely to be simply a “handy one-volume source of reference for students and the general reader seeking a concise explanation of the various concepts, names, texts and terms found in the rapidly growing literature on Buddhism.” The editor notes that the vastness, richness, and diversity of this subject area demands a much larger initiative. One that is noted to be under way is the Digital Dictionary of Buddhism (www.acmuller.net). Appendices include maps, a pronunciation guide, a guide to Buddhist scriptures and a chronology.

Social Sciences

The almanac of American education.
Lanham, MD : Bernan Press, c2003

“*The Almanac of American education* serves as a guide to understanding and comparing the quality of education at the national, state, and country levels. Compiled from sources such as the U.S. Census Bureau and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), the Almanac contains historical and current data, insightful analysis, and useful graphics that paint a compelling picture of the state of education in America.” The Almanac is arranged in three sections: Part A: National school enrollment and educational attainment statistics; Part B: State education statistics; and Part C: County education statistics. Also contains a guide to educational resources on the internet and a subject index.

Bright, William, 1928-
Native American placenames of the United States / William Bright.

This reference book explores the etymology of Native American place names. This is not meant to be an exhaustive survey, but rather one that covers places that are generally known and in current use. Locations that no longer are inhabited are not included, nor are many Alaskan native placenames where research has just started with these living languages. Unfortunately, many names, especially on the East Coast, have etymologies that may be forever lost. Hawaii is also excluded in favor of another dictionary that is already available for that area.

The Oxford encyclopedia of economic history / Joel Mokyr, editor in chief.
This is the most comprehensive reference source on economic history with a worldwide perspective. “There are nearly nine hundred entries and subentries in The Oxford encyclopedia of economic history. Composite entries gather together discussions of similar or related topics under one headword… A selective bibliography at the end of each article directs the reader who wishes to pursue a topic in greater detail to primary sources, the most useful works in English, and the most important scholarly works in any language.” Volume 5 contains an extensive subject index along with a topical outline of articles.


“The Guide is intended primarily for undergraduate and graduate students who need an initial and comprehensive overview of the major research on various aspects of interest group studies.” Chapters range from emphasis on interest groups in the American political system to those in international and transnational politics. The concluding chapter offers further assistance for those conducting research in interest groups. Also includes an extensive bibliography and subject index.

Theater, Dance and Performance Studies

Griffiths, Trevor R.
The theatre guide / 3rd ed.

The Theatre guide is an A to Z guide to world plays and playwrights, with over five hundred entries. The guide is comprised of short articles along with lists of plays for each playwright. Rather than a strict list of books for further reading, short bibliographies list plays that share theatrical techniques or themes. Also includes an author/title index.