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## The Global Economy as You've Never Seen It: 99 Ingenious Infographics That Put It All Together

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# LJ | reference

**History of the World Map by Map.** DK. Oct. 2018. 440p. ed. by DK Eds. illus. maps. index. ISBN 9781465475855. \$50. HIST

This accessible, comprehensive reference tells the story of world history, up to the present, through more than 140 full-color maps. Using the Smithsonian's world-renowned resources, the volume provides meticulous detail on everything from the first human migrations out of Africa to the definitive battles of World War II to the Iran and Gulf Wars. The maps contain panels of descriptive text and graphics that highlight key figures. Color photographs and images offer context. A time-line section succinctly summarizes the contents of the maps. Readers will emerge with an understanding that a country's history is shaped as much by

each genre, the names of other important rock acts, and relevant songs from other music styles. **VERDICT** Recommended to all interested in the history of rock music, those looking for new music recommendations, and anyone who wants to improve their rock and roll vocabulary.—**Todd Spires, Bradley Univ. Lib., Peoria, IL**

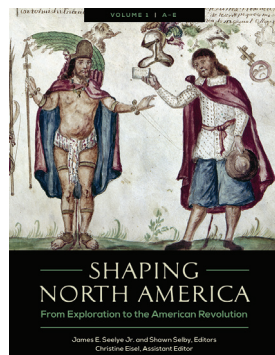
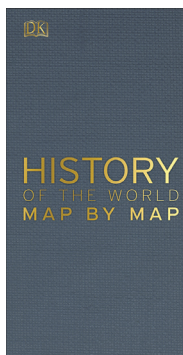
**Money in American Politics.** ABC-CLIO. Jun. 2018. 398p. ed. by David Schultz. index. ISBN 9781440851766. \$94; ebk. ISBN 9781440851773. POL SCI

Editor Schultz (Univ. of Minnesota Law Sch.; political science, Hamline Univ.) addresses the central role of money in U.S. politics. In the preface, he writes that many see money as a corrupting tool of leverage by special interests while others

is when campaign donations, legislation, and litigation began shaping the effect of money. **VERDICT** General readers will find this a fair-minded, clear, and informative foundation for examining the influence of money on the legislative process.—**Rob Tench, Old Dominion Univ. Libs., Norfolk, VA**

★ **Ramge, Thomas & Jan Schwochow. The Global Economy as You've Never Seen It: 99 Ingenious Infographics That Put It All Together.** Experiment. Oct. 2018. 216p. maps. index. ISBN 9781615195176. \$35. ECON

Journalist Ramge (the *Economist*) and graphic designer Schwochow (founder, CEO, Infographics Group; *Understanding Germany*) have produced an incredible, atlas-like work on a topic many find daunting. Using infographics to outstanding effect, they explore the global economy and discuss how economics connect everyone around the globe. The volume is divided into seven sections: "The Individual," "The Company," "The National Economy," "The Global Economy," "Theory," "Environment & Resources," and "The Future." Almost 100 vibrant visuals on 49 topics are accompanied by accurate text. The section on the future is especially compelling, covering megatrends, innovation, digitization, automation, and more. The appendix of websites, organizations, reports, bureaus, and other sources the creators used for their data is meticulous. The comprehensive index is more helpful than most for finding terms and topics in the richly detailed contents. **VERDICT** Patrons of all levels, particularly students doing reports, could spend hours browsing this superb title.—**Rob Tench, Old Dominion Univ. Libs., Norfolk, VA**



You'll spend hours browsing; around the world in 140 maps; from 1492 to 1789, in so many words

its geography as its population. **VERDICT** For anyone interested in world history.—**Gary Medina, El Camino Coll., Torrance, CA**

**King, Ian. Appetite for Definition: An A-Z Guide to Rock Genres.** Harper. Nov. 2018. 528p. notes. bibliog. ISBN 9780062688880. pap. \$15.99; ebk. ISBN 9780062688897.

MUSIC

Fans of rock music who engage in long conversations about the relative merits of bands may find this slim volume from rock journalist King the resource they didn't know they needed. Each of the genre entries begins with a brief description of the origins and history of the music type. Short lists such as "pioneer tracks," "other key players," and "cross-over tracks" provide eager readers with a music finding aid, listing key tracks in

perceive it as a form of free speech in need of constitutional protection. This book debates those divergent perspectives and provides answers to two core questions: Does money influence the legislative process? Are the United States' patterns of wealth distribution beneficial for the nation's democracy? With contributors who include academics, attorneys, researchers, and students of law, political science, and public administration and policy, the work consists of a chronology, general index, and 155 entries. The articles on Federal Contribution Limits, Political Action Committees, and State Legislative Races also contain figures and tables. The primary focus is on court cases, individuals, groups, organizations, and events since the 1972 presidential election and the Watergate break-in. According to Schultz, that

**Shaping North America: From Exploration to the American Revolution.** 3 vols. ABC-CLIO. Aug. 2018. 1150p. ed. by James E. Seelye Jr. & Shawn Selby. illus. index. ISBN 9781440836688. \$309; ebk. ISBN 9781440836695. HIST

Seelye (history, Kent State at Stark; coeditor, *Voices of the American Indian Experience*) and Selby (history, Kent State at Stark) have compiled 300 articles by 56 contributors describing North American history from 1492 to 1789. The signed entries discuss events, people, social conditions,

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