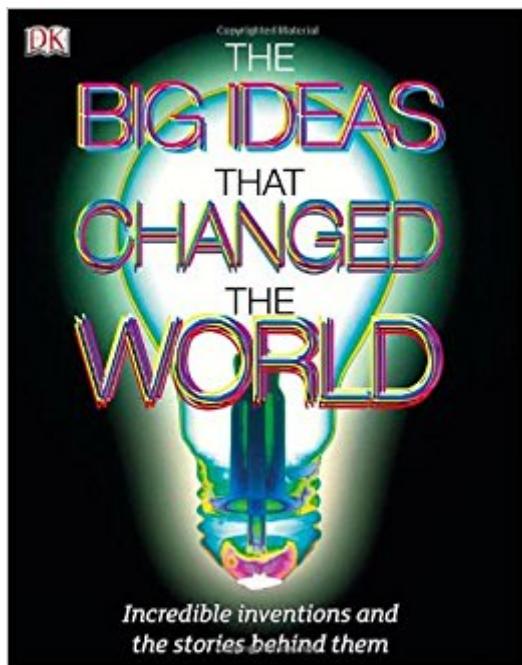


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Ideas That Changed The World



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Ideas that Changed the World combines the quality and breadth of a modern design museum with the high standards of a DK reference title. Stunning photography and beautifully written stories work together to give the reader a unique experience. We don't just show you what's ground-breaking about a space suit, we explain its place in history and space exploration, and the other inventions it has influenced. Readers will be struck with wonder by each item and sense the excitement that so many discoveries inspire. Each subject is introduced through text and a close-up photograph. Captivating icons lead the reader further into the story behind the object and then on to a collections spread featuring similar inventions and developments that shaped the design before and afterward. Some of the incredible inventions and ideas featured are: microscope (Charles Darwin's), telescope (Isaac Newton's), antibiotics, elevators, eyeglasses, the bicycle, auto pilot, the blackboard (as used by Albert Einstein), tin cans, umbrellas, buttons, TV, satellites, submarines, Captain Cook's travel cooking implements, the wheel, cement, a volcanologist's heat-proof uniform, the first Roman coin, bar codes, the first video game, the Walkman, the first Apple computer, surf boards, film animation, and much, much more!

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Customer Reviews

Approximately 83 inventions are beautifully highlighted in this oversize reference volume. The

majority of the attractive, photo-laden pages are designed with a large close-up photo surrounded by many smaller current and archival photos, with pockets of information sprinkled about. The focus is on the invention and how it has changed lives, rather than the inventor; however, some notables, such as Elisha Otis, Henry Ford, and Jacques Cousteau, are given double-page spreads. The inventions are grouped into six categories, although the groupings seem random. For example, “Money,” “Credit Cards,” “Bar Codes,” and “Stamps” are placed with “Handy Gadgets.” A time line at the end gives the sequence in which the inventions came about. They range from the wheel (circa 3500 BCE) to the all-electric car (2008). Of limited use for in-depth research, but perfect for browsing and inspiring. Grades 7-10. --Randall Enos

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This book is great. The kids read about something and then can't wait to tell you about what they read. Then I learn something too.

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