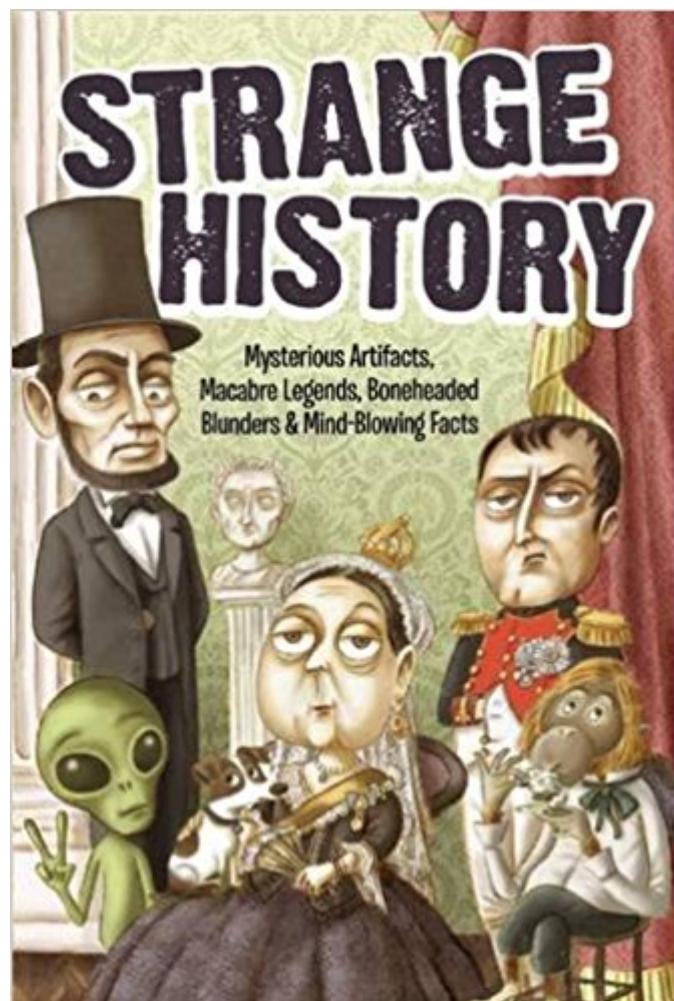


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## Strange History



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Thanks to NetGalley and Portable Press for the digital download of Strange History by Bathroom Readers Institute! This incredible book kept me reading from beginning to end and I finished it in

one sitting because of its entertainment value! Strange History is a fact driven world history of slang, fads, quotes that stand the test of time, boring parts of history, historical food facts, styles and trends by decades, almost assassinations, misconceptions, freaky facts, made-up languages, obsolete words, real life Frankensteins and a bunch of other historical fact categories. I want to use this book for a jigsaw lesson to teach what facts can be found in the 000's section of the DEWEY Decimal System. Great entertainment

This an interesting and fun book. It's a little different format and a little fancier than the typical bare-bones Bathroom Reader books. The articles are also shorter, with most being a single page and a handful being two pages. I was slightly disappointed (but still love the book) that by its title I assumed the articles would all be anecdotes or insightful tidbits about historical people and events... which it kinda is, but really, they throw almost anything in here - some of which is very light, and you would have a hard time classifying as a "history" story. That said, I may like this book more than the typical BRI book.

A nice compilation of previously printed material plus some new material.

Interesting historical stories. I thoroughly enjoyed reading the book.

One would expect a coffee table book to be a conversation piece, but this book has sparked more conversations than ever imagined! If there's a sequel, we will definitely have it in our other bathrooms.

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