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The Un-Discovered Islands

Prisoners of Geography meets Bill Bryson: a funny, fascinating, beautifully illustrated – and timely – history of countries that, for myriad and often ludicrous reasons, no longer exist.

The Atlas of Love

A refreshingly original history of the lost countries of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, examined and illustrated with the countries' postage stamps

Sad Topographies

"Beautifully written, a highly literate story of friendship, parenthood, and every other kind of love you can imagine." —Marisa de los Santos, author of *Love Walked In* When Jill becomes both pregnant and single at the end of one spring semester, she and her two closest friends plunge into an experiment in tri-parenting, tri-schooling, and trihabiting as grad students in Seattle. Naturally, everything goes wrong, but in ways no one sees coming. Janey Duncan narrates the adventure of this modern family with hilarity and wisdom and shows how three lives are forever changed by (un)cooperative parenting, literature, and a tiny baby named Atlas who upends and uplifts their entire world. In this sparkling and wise debut novel, *The Atlas of Love*, Frankel's unforgettable heroines prove that home is simply where the love is.

The Silk Roads

Far more than a history of the Silk Roads, this book is truly a revelatory new history

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of the world, promising to destabilize notions of where we come from and where we are headed next. From the Middle East and its political instability to China and its economic rise, the vast region stretching eastward from the Balkans across the steppe and South Asia has been thrust into the global spotlight in recent years. Frankopan teaches us that to understand what is at stake for the cities and nations built on these intricate trade routes, we must first understand their astounding pasts. Frankopan realigns our understanding of the world, pointing us eastward. It was on the Silk Roads that East and West first encountered each other through trade and conquest, leading to the spread of ideas, cultures and religions. From the rise and fall of empires to the spread of Buddhism and the advent of Christianity and Islam, right up to the great wars of the twentieth century—this book shows how the fate of the West has always been inextricably linked to the East. Also available: *The New Silk Roads*, a timely exploration of the dramatic and profound changes our world is undergoing right now—as seen from the perspective of the rising powers of the East.

The Book of Ingenious Devices / Kit á b al- iyal

Now a Netflix film starring and directed by Chiwetel Ejiofor, this is a gripping memoir of survival and perseverance about the heroic young inventor who brought electricity to his Malawian village. When a terrible drought struck William Kamkwamba's tiny village in Malawi, his family lost all of the season's crops, leaving them with nothing to eat and nothing to sell. William began to explore science books in his village library, looking for a solution. There, he came up with the idea that would change his family's life forever: he could build a windmill. Made out of scrap metal and old bicycle parts, William's windmill brought electricity to his home and helped his family pump the water they needed to farm the land. Retold for a younger audience, this exciting memoir shows how, even in a desperate situation, one boy's brilliant idea can light up the world. Complete with photographs, illustrations, and an epilogue that will bring readers up to date on William's story, this is the perfect edition to read and share with the whole family.

Transit Maps of the World

Which nations have North Korean embassies? What percentage of young people live with their families? Which country lists volleyball as its national sport? How much does it cost to get a pint around the world? And where can you find lions in the wild? Revelatory, thought-provoking and fun, *Brilliant Maps* is a unique atlas of culture, history, politics and miscellanea, compiled by the editor of the iconic *Brilliant Maps* website. As visually arresting as *Information is Beautiful* and as full of surprising facts and figures as any encyclopaedia, *Brilliant Maps* is a stunning piece of cartography that maps our curious and varied planet. For graphic design enthusiasts, compulsive Wikipedia readers and those looking for the sort of gift they buy for someone else and wind up keeping for themselves, this book will change the way you see the world and your place in it.

Brilliant Maps

What is a country? Acclaimed travel writer and Oxford geography don Nick Middleton brings to life the origins and histories of 50 states that, lacking international

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recognition and United Nations membership, exist on the margins of legitimacy in the global order. From long-contested lands like Crimea and Tibet to lesser-known territories such as Africa's last colony and a European republic that enjoyed independence for a single day, Middleton presents fascinating stories of shifting borders, visionary leaders, and "forgotten" peoples. Beautifully illustrated with 50 regional maps, each country is literally die-cut out of the page, offering a distinctive tactile experience while exploring these remarkable places.

Borderlines and Borderlands

A unique and beautiful collection of fifty maps in which our physical, political and cultural world is visualised, measured and mapped like never before. An Uncommon Atlas is the new 2019 edition, previously published as New Views. From charting energy networks to revealing new and emerging lands, measuring human migration to assessing the planet's ant populations – and including the phenomena we have little control over such as lightning strikes or asteroid impact – each map asks you to question, wonder and look again at our rapidly changing and often surprising world. Divided into three thematic sections: Land, Air and Sea; Human and Animal, and Globalisation, An Uncommon Atlas offers a fresh and truly global portrait of our intricately fascinating planet.

An Atlas of Extinct Countries

"This book highlights more than a hundred maps from every era and every part of the world. Organized chronologically, they display an astonishing variety of cartographic styles and techniques. They range from priceless artistic masterworks like the 1507 Waldseemuller world map, the first to use the name "America," to such practical artifacts as a Polynesian stick chart, a creation of bent twigs, seashells, and coconut palms that was nevertheless capable of guiding an outrigger canoe safely across thousands of miles of trackless and seemingly endless ocean. Some, like the portolans, or sea charts, of the Age of Discovery, were closely guarded state secrets that shaped the rise and fall of empires; others circulated widely and showed such fabled routes as the Silk Road across western Asia and the Oregon and Santa Fe Trails that opened up the American West."--Jacket.

New Views

"Lands of Lost Borders carried me up into a state of openness and excitement I haven't felt for years. It's a modern classic." —Pico Iyer A brilliant, fierce writer makes her debut with this enthralling travelogue and memoir of her journey by bicycle along the Silk Road—an illuminating and thought-provoking fusion of *The Places in Between*, *Lab Girl*, and *Wild* that dares us to challenge the limits we place on ourselves and the natural world. As a teenager, Kate Harris realized that the career she craved—to be an explorer, equal parts swashbuckler and metaphysician—had gone extinct. From what she could tell of the world from small-town Ontario, the likes of Marco Polo and Magellan had mapped the whole earth; there was nothing left to be discovered. Looking beyond this planet, she decided to become a scientist and go to Mars. In between studying at Oxford and MIT, Harris set off by bicycle down the fabled Silk Road with her childhood friend Mel. Pedaling

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mile upon mile in some of the remotest places on earth, she realized that an explorer, in any day and age, is the kind of person who refuses to live between the lines. Forget charting maps, naming peaks: what she yearned for was the feeling of soaring completely out of bounds. The farther she traveled, the closer she came to a world as wild as she felt within. *Lands of Lost Borders* is the chronicle of Harris' s odyssey and an exploration of the importance of breaking the boundaries we set ourselves; an examination of the stories borders tell, and the restrictions they place on nature and humanity; and a meditation on the existential need to explore—the essential longing to discover what in the universe we are doing here. Like Rebecca Solnit and Pico Iyer, Kate Harris offers a travel account at once exuberant and reflective, wry and rapturous. *Lands of Lost Borders* explores the nature of limits and the wildness of the self that can never fully be mapped. Weaving adventure and philosophy with the history of science and exploration, *Lands of Lost Borders* celebrates our connection as humans to the natural world, and ultimately to each other—a belonging that transcends any fences or stories that may divide us.

Nowherelands

New York Times bestseller! *The Atlas Obscura Explorer' s Guide for the World' s Most Adventurous Kid* is a thrilling expedition to 100 of the most surprising, mysterious, and weird-but-true places on earth. For curious kids, this is the chance to embark on the journey of a lifetime—and see how faraway countries have more in common than you might expect! Hopscotch from country to country in a chain of connecting attractions: Explore Mexico' s glittering cave of crystals, then visit the world' s largest cave in Vietnam. Peer over a 355-foot waterfall in Zambia, then learn how Antarctica' s Blood Falls got their mysterious color. Or see mysterious mummies in Japan and France, then majestic ice caves in both Argentina and Austria. As you climb mountains, zip-line over forests, and dive into oceans, this book is your passport to a world of hidden wonders, illuminated by gorgeous art.

Atlas of Untamed Places

Created for map lovers by map lovers, this rich book explores the intriguing stories behind maps across history and illuminates how the art of cartography thrives today. In this visually stunning book, award-winning journalists Betsy Mason and Greg Miller--authors of the National Geographic cartography blog "All Over the Map"--explore the intriguing stories behind maps from a wide variety of cultures, civilizations, and time periods. Based on interviews with scores of leading cartographers, curators, historians, and scholars, this is a remarkable selection of fascinating and unusual maps. This diverse compendium includes ancient maps of dragon-filled seas, elaborate graphics picturing unseen concepts and forces from inside Earth to outer space, devious maps created by spies, and maps from pop culture such as the schematics to the Death Star and a map of Westeros from *Game of Thrones*. If your brain craves maps--and Mason and Miller would say it does, whether you know it or not--this eye-opening visual feast will inspire and delight.

Brilliant Maps for Curious Minds

Knots are familiar objects. We use them to moor our boats, to wrap our packages, to

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tie our shoes. Yet the mathematical theory of knots quickly leads to deep results in topology and geometry. The Knot Book is an introduction to this rich theory, starting from our familiar understanding of knots and a bit of college algebra and finishing with exciting topics of current research. The Knot Book is also about the excitement of doing mathematics. Colin Adams engages the reader with fascinating examples, superb figures, and thought-provoking ideas. He also presents the remarkable applications of knot theory to modern chemistry, biology, and physics. This is a compelling book that will comfortably escort you into the marvelous world of knot theory. Whether you are a mathematics student, someone working in a related field, or an amateur mathematician, you will find much of interest in The Knot Book.

An Atlas of Countries that Don't Exist

In *The Un-Discovered Islands*, critically acclaimed author Malachy Tallack takes the reader on fascinating adventures to the mysterious and forgotten corners of the map. Be prepared to be captivated by the astounding tales of two dozen islands once believed to be real but no longer on the map. These are the products of the imagination, deception, and human error: an archipelago of ex-islands and forgotten lands. From the well-known story of Atlantis and the mysteries of frozen Thule to more obscure tales from around the globe, and from ancient history right up to the present day, this is an atlas of legend and wonder, with glorious illustrations by Katie Scott.

Atlas of the Unexpected

Arranged chronologically and featuring the personal anecdotes, diary extracts, and photographs of intrepid early travelers, this exquisite collection of maps traces the evolution of tourism. It charts a course across the globe on the first steam voyages, captures the romance of the golden age of train travel, navigates to the heart of why we journey to new lands, and considers the shape and accessibility of global tourism today.

National Geographic Concise Atlas of the World

With beautiful, unique maps and evocative photography, *Atlas of Untamed Places* is an intrepid voyage to nature's wildest places. In a world that has increasingly become tamed by human activity, the true wild holds a growing mysticism. Rugged landscapes with unspoiled scenery invoke romantic visions of paradise, but there are also intense and powerful wildernesses that produce fear and awe alike and unexplored zones where feral wildlife roams in the shadows. Chris Fitch takes you on a journey through the world's most wild places, visiting immensely diverse floral kingdoms, remote jungles abundant with exotic birds, and both freezing cold and scorching hot inhospitable environments. From these natural havens we travel to the extreme and the incredible: lightning inducing lakes, acidic mud baths, and man-eating tiger kingdoms. We encounter places being reclaimed by nature, such as Chernobyl, that after being left abandoned for years are returning to a natural wilderness, free from human intervention. Not forgetting those most bizarre of destinations, such as the tidal surges of the Qiantang River, the bridge to Mado Island that emerges from the sea, and the strange magnetic pull of Jabuka rock.

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The Map Tour

A comprehensive guide offers young adults an in-depth review of the traditional food staples and seasonings found in each major country in the world, complete with hundreds of color photos, historical influences on food, festive foods, and more.

The Knot Book

New Views is a unique and beautiful collection of fifty maps in which our physical, political and cultural world is visualised, measured and mapped like never before. Alastair Bonnett ' s expert text provides vivid insight on each topic. From charting energy networks to revealing new and emerging lands, measuring human migration to assessing the planet ' s ant populations – and including the phenomena we have little control over such as lightning strikes or asteroid impact – each map asks you to question, wonder and look again at our rapidly changing and often surprising world. Divided into three thematic sections: Land, Air and Sea; Human and Animal, and Globalisation, New Views offers a fresh and truly global portrait of our intricately fascinating planet.

Atlas of Vanishing Places

"A work of scholarly importance and a great pleasure to peruse." -- Washington Post

An Atlas of Extinct Countries: The Remarkable (and Occasionally Ridiculous) Stories of 48 Nations that Fell off the Map

"Expanded and updated edition of the world's first collection of every urban train map on earth"--Front cover.

What's Where on Earth Atlas

The Maryland State Archives Atlas of Historical Maps of Maryland, 1608-1908

A futuristic tale set in a long-lost fictional city similar to post-colonial Hong Kong follows the efforts of a team of archaeologists to reconstruct its metropolis through historical maps, documents and artifacts that are translated through anecdotal experiences and social commentary.

Unruly Places

Prisoners of Geography meets Bill Bryson: a funny, fascinating, beautifully illustrated - and timely - history of countries that, for myriad and often ludicrous reasons, no longer exist. "Countries are just daft stories we tell each other. They're all equally implausible once you get up close." Countries die. Sometimes it's murder, sometimes it's by accident, and sometimes it's because they were so ludicrous they didn't deserve to exist in the first place. Occasionally they explode violently. A few slip

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away almost unnoticed. Often the cause of death is either 'got too greedy' or 'Napoleon turned up'. Now and then they just hold a referendum and vote themselves out of existence. This is an atlas of 48 nations that fell off the map. The polite way of writing an obituary is: dwell on the good bits, gloss over the embarrassing stuff. This book refuses to do so, because these dead nations are so full of schemers, racists, and con men that it's impossible to skip the embarrassing stuff. Because of this - and because treating nation-states with too much reverence is the entire problem with pretty much everything - these accounts are not concerned with adding to the earnest flag saluting in the world, however nice some of the flags might be.

The Oxford Illustrated History of the World

skilled in geometry, ingenious devices (!lival), music and astronomy. According to Ibn al-Nad!m and Ibn Khallik ä n their weakest subject was astronomy, but this seems to conflict with the opinions of Ibn Yunus and al-B!run!, both good judges, who spoke highly of the accuracy of the Banu Musa's astronomical observations. Mul)ammad, who was the most influential of the brothers, specialised in gcomtry and astronomy, and excellcd Al)mad in all the sciences except in the construction of ingenious devices. Al-l: lasan was a brilliant geometrician with aretenlive memoryand great powers of deduction. A rival onee tried to discredit him in front of al-Ma'mun hy saying that al- l: lasan had read only six of the thirteen books of Euclid's Elements. Al-l: lasan replied by saying that it was unnecessary for him to read the remainder because he could arrive at the answers to any of Euclid's problem s by deduction. Al-Ma'mun acknowledged al-l: lasan 's skill, but did not excuse him, saying: "laziness has prevented you from 2 reading the whole of it-it is to geometry as the lctters a, b, t, 111 are to speech and writing. " (H. 264). Al-l: lasan is rarely mentioned by name elsewhere in the sources and may have preferred to devote his time to scholarship, whereas his brothers were involved in a variety of undertakings. At the time of their entry into the House of Wisdom the Banu Musil were paar and needy (H.

Lands of Lost Borders

Atlas Obscura says this lushly illustrated New York Times bestselling guide to dozens of dangerous, eerie, and infamous locations is the perfect gift for "those who believe the world is still full of mysteries to investigate." Pick up the acclaimed Atlas of Cursed Places and visit the world's most nerve-wracking locations. With pithy historical profiles, vintage full-color maps, and haunting tales that will color your perspective (and send tingles down your spine), this is a clever gift for the intrepid traveler or armchair adventurer who wants to explore destinations both remarkable and daunting. Visit: a coal town where the ground is constantly on fire a Zambian national park where more than 8 million bats darken the skies the infamous suicide location of Aokigahara Forest near Mount Fuji the lesser-known Nevada triangle, in which dozens of aircraft have inexplicably disappeared Beautifully packaged and written with a twisty sense of humor, Atlas of Cursed Places puts your quirky side on the map.

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

Maps offer us a chance to see not just how our world looks today, but how it once

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looked. But what about the places that are no longer mapped? Cities forgotten under the dust of newly settled land? Rivers and seas whose changing shape has shifted the landscape around them? Or, even, places that have seemingly vanished, without a trace? Travis Elborough takes you on a voyage to all corners of the world in search of the lost, disappearing and vanished. Specially commissioned cartography showing each place as it once was and how it is today and archive photography bring these incredible stories to life.

The Atlas of Unusual Borders: Discover intriguing boundaries, territories and geographical curiosities

Using powerful, easy-to-grasp graphics, this book cuts through the noise and gets straight to the facts on climate change, overpopulation, pollution, over-consumption, and much more. In *How We're F***ing Up Our Planet* Tony Juniper distills wide-ranging, heart-stopping research into one reliable and eye-opening book. He charts the dramatic explosion of human population and consumption and its impact on planet Earth, revealing how increasing pressures on our world affect factors such as climate, sea levels, and pollution, and what that means for our future. Global warming has led to sea levels rising by around 18cm (7in) over the past 100 years, and the Arctic ice sheet is shrinking at a rate never seen before. 10 million people each year are affected by coastal flooding. One third of all land is at risk of turning to desert, with huge implications for food supplies. Deaths due to air pollution rise every year, and more plastic pollution of the oceans threatens marine life and fishing stocks. As well as explaining global trends and showing how they are connected, *How We are F***ing Up Our Planet* explores how we can live more sustainably into the future, with positive ideas of how we can mitigate damaging trends.

Atlas of Improbable Places

Highlighted by more than 3,000 updates and expanded content, a collection of more than 500 maps, charts, flags and illustrations, packaged in a compact and accessible volume, includes indexed political and continental maps as well as new world thematic maps covering such elements as tectonics, climate, population, religion and economy. Original.

A Book of Discovery: The History of the World's Exploration From the Earliest Times to the Finding of the South Pole

Sad Topographies is an illustrated guide for the melancholic among us. Dispirited travellers rejoice as Damien Rudd journeys across continents in search of the world's most joyless place names and their fascinating etymologies. Behind each lugubrious place name exists a story, a richly interwoven narrative of mythology, history, landscape, misadventure and tragedy. From Disappointment Island in the Southern Ocean to Misery in Germany, across to Lonely Island in Russia, or, if you're feeling more intrepid, pay a visit to Mount Hopeless in Australia – all from the comfort of your armchair. With hand drawn maps by illustrator Kateryna Didyk, *Sad Topographies* will steer you along paths that lead to strange and obscure places, navigating the terrains of historical fact and imaginative fiction. At turns poetic and dark-humoured, this is a travel guide quite like no other. Damien Rudd is the founder

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of the hugely popular Instagram account @sadtopographies.

Rebel Wilson

The world is not always what we think it is. This beautifully designed book presents unusual borders, enclaves and exclaves, divided or non-existent cities and islands. Numerous conflicts have left countries divided and often shattered. Remnants of countries can by design or accident be left behind as a legal anomaly in this complex world.

A Map of Days

From our earliest schooldays, we are shown the world as a colorful collage of countries, each defined by their own immutable borders. What we often don't realize is that every political boundary was created by people. No political border is more natural or real than another, yet some international borders make no apparent sense at all. While focusing on some of these unusual border shapes, this fascinating book highlights the important truth that all borders, even those that appear "normal," are social constructions. In an era where the continued relevance of the nation state is being questioned and where transnationalism is altering the degree to which borders effectively demarcate spaces of belonging, the contributors argue that this point is vital to our understanding of the world. The unique and compelling histories of some of the world's oddest borders provide an ideal context for this group of experts to offer accessible and enlightening discussions of cultural globalization, economic integration, international migration, imperialism, postcolonialism, global terrorism, nationalism, and supranationalism. Each author's regional expertise enriches a textured account of the historical context in which these borders came into existence as well as their historical and ongoing influence on the people and states they bound. To view more maps from the David Rumsey Map Collection, visit www.davidrumsey.com.

How We're F***ing Up Our Planet

Atlas of the Unexpected is a journey to far-off lands, obscure discoveries and unimaginable locations, with 45 beautiful, unique maps and evocative photography. Take an armchair voyage to places both infamous and unknown that have, often by chance or by haphazard means, been destinations of discovery that make up our world today. Learn about the accidental discovery of Vaseline. Set foot on the aptly named Just Enough Room Island. Chart the royal romance that led shipwrecked lovers to discover the purple rock of Madeira. Follow in the footsteps of a stray goat who led its keeper to uncover lost ancient biblical scrolls. These are the world's most wondrous, improbable and – most of all – unexpected of places. “ Travis Elborough writes about a wide range of subjects with originality, learning and charm. Atlas of the Unexpected is seductively beautiful: an inspiring, dream-inducing guide to almost four dozen “ haphazard discoveries, chance places and unimaginable destinations ” ” David Kynaston, New Statesman – ‘ best books of 2018 ’ Also in the Unexpected Atlas series: Atlas of Untamed Places, Atlas of Improbable Places, Atlas of Vanishing Places.

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An Uncommon Atlas

Imagine the planet, as if from an immense distance of time and space, as a galactic observer might see it—with the kind of objectivity that we, who are enmeshed in our history, can't attain. The Oxford Illustrated History of the World encompasses the whole span of human history. It brings together some of the world's leading historians, under the expert guidance of Felipe Fernandez-Armesto, to tell the 200,000-year story of our world, from the emergence of homo sapiens through to the twenty-first century: the environmental convulsions; the interplay of ideas (good and bad); the cultural phases and exchanges; the collisions and collaborations in politics; the successions of states and empires; the unlocking of energy; the evolutions of economies; the contacts, conflicts, and contagions that have all contributed to making the world we now inhabit.

Mapping the World

"After having saved the peculiar world, Jacob Portman is back in Florida with his peculiar friends, where they set out on a journey across America to discover the truth about Jacob's grandfather"--

Atlas

Atlases don't come more amazing than this! The ultimate world tour explores countries and crosses continents on its fact-finding, fun-filled journey of discovery Planet Earth is brought to life in stunning, specially commissioned 3-D maps and artworks that showcase fascinating themes, including geographical features, cities and landmarks, wildlife, and population in unprecedented detail. You'll scale the peaks of the Himalayas, trek the jungles of South America, roam the grasslands of Africa, and swim the Pacific Ocean on your incredible adventure. Visit the hottest place on Earth, spot the largest butterfly, rub shoulders with the world's biggest population, cross the busiest international border, and much, much more on your travels. This vital source of learning is perfect for children to dip into for school projects and a welcome addition to any family library. For genius geographers or anyone with a taste for adventure, this one is for you!

The Foodlover's Atlas of the World

Inspiring urban explorers and armchair travellers alike to consider a new way of understanding the world we live in, this unique atlas shows you the modern world from surprising new vantage points. Hidden lairs beneath layers of rock, forgotten cities rising out of deserted lands and even mankind's own feats of engineering eccentricity lie in the most unusual of destinations. Go in search of the obscure and bizarre, the beautiful and estranged, taking in the defiant relics of ancient cities such as Ani, a once thriving metropolis lost to conquered lands, and the church tower of San Juan Parangaricutto, that miraculously stands as the sole survivor of a town sunk by lava. Through the labyrinths of Berlin and Beijing — underground realms dug for refuge, espionage and even, as Canada's Moose Jaw, used as the playground for gangsters trading liquor and money over cards — never forgetting the freaks and wonders of nature's own unusual masterpieces: the magical underground river

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shaped like a dragon's mouth in the Philippines and the floating world of Palmerston. With beautiful maps and stunning photography illustrating each destination, Atlas of Improbable Places is a fascinating voyage to the world's most incredible destinations. As the Island of Dolls and the hauntingly titled Door to Hell — an inextinguishable fire pit - attest, mystery is never far away. The truths and myths behind their creation are as varied as the destinations themselves. Standing as symbols of worship, testaments to kingships or even the strange and wonderful traditions of old and new, these curious places are not just extraordinary sights but reflections on man's own relationship with the world around us. Also in the Unexpected Atlas series: Atlas of Untamed Places, Atlas of the Unexpected, Atlas of Vanishing Places.

Atlas of Cursed Places

Illustrated with original maps and drawings, this stunning exploration of the world's hidden geographies reveals the moving villages, secret cities and no man's lands that will inspire urban explorers, off-the-beaten-trail wanderers and armchair travelers. 25,000 first printing.

All Over the Map

A classic work of American literature that has not stopped changing minds and lives since it burst onto the literary scene, *The Things They Carried* is a ground-breaking meditation on war, memory, imagination, and the redemptive power of storytelling. *The Things They Carried* depicts the men of Alpha Company: Jimmy Cross, Henry Dobbins, Rat Kiley, Mitchell Sanders, Norman Bowker, Kiowa, and the character Tim O'Brien, who has survived his tour in Vietnam to become a father and writer at the age of forty-three. Taught everywhere—from high school classrooms to graduate seminars in creative writing—it has become required reading for any American and continues to challenge readers in their perceptions of fact and fiction, war and peace, courage and fear and longing. *The Things They Carried* won France's prestigious Prix du Meilleur Livre Etranger and the Chicago Tribune Heartland Prize; it was also a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award.

The Atlas Obscura Explorer's Guide for the World's Most Adventurous Kid

A singular atlas of 100 infographic maps from thought-provoking to flat-out fun
Publisher's note: Brilliant Maps for Curious Minds was published in the UK under the title Brilliant Maps. Which countries don't have rivers? Which ones have North Korean embassies? Who drives on the "wrong" side of the road? How many national economies are bigger than California's? And where can you still find lions in the wild? You'll learn answers to these questions and many more in Brilliant Maps for Curious Minds. This one-of-a-kind atlas is packed with eye-opening analysis (Which nations have had female leaders?), whimsical insight (Where can't you find a McDonald's?), and surprising connections that illuminate the contours of culture, history, and politics. Each of these 100 maps will change the way you see the world—and your place in it.

The Things They Carried

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You may know that Rebel Wilson cracks fans up in Pitch Perfect and other hilarious big-screen comedies. But did you know that she:- grew up traveling to dog shows every weekend with her parents, who worked as professional dog handlers?- was really shy as a teen and took acting classes to help build up her confidence?- earned a law degree and could practice law if she weren't already working as an actress?Want to know more about the life of this tremendous on-screen talent? Read on to learn all about Rebel's childhood, family, personality, acting projects, the story behind her unusual name, and more!

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