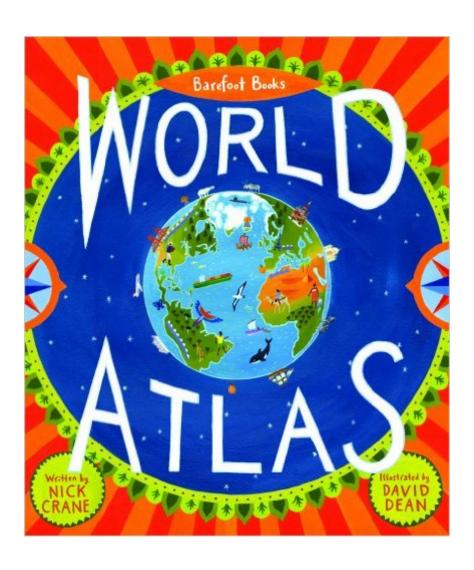
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Customer Reviews

Yesterday I was in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City and browsing through the bookstore there I found what seemed to be a wonderful book for young people on the world. The book is titled, World Atlas by Nick Crane and David Dean published by Barefoot Books in 2011. I bought it for my granddaughter, and I was quite excited to have found it until I got home and began to read through it.I am not knowledgeable about the entire world's facts, but I do know about the US, Mexico, Central America and South America. There are egregious errors - one of the worst being not to include Mexico in North America and putting it instead with Central America. To say that "although these countries are part of the North American continent, their culture is very distinct from the USA and Canada." (page 40) is to isolate them even more from the USA when a great effort has been made by educators at every level to teach that Mexico is part of North America, and to discuss

commonalities. Next I open the "Did you know" flap and become equally or more upset as the authors state that Teotihucan (built around 200 BCE) is a huge area of Mayan ruins in the Basin of Mexico. Without going into a dissertation on this I would just mention that the origin of Teotihucan is not really known and it definitely is not Mayan. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and is the most visited archaeological site in Mexico. All the authors had to do was Google the site to not make such an insulting error. To me this is like saying that even though Mexico is our neighbor to the south is not important enough to offer our children accurate facts. There are other errors about south American such as misspelling and poor information about the people and places.

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