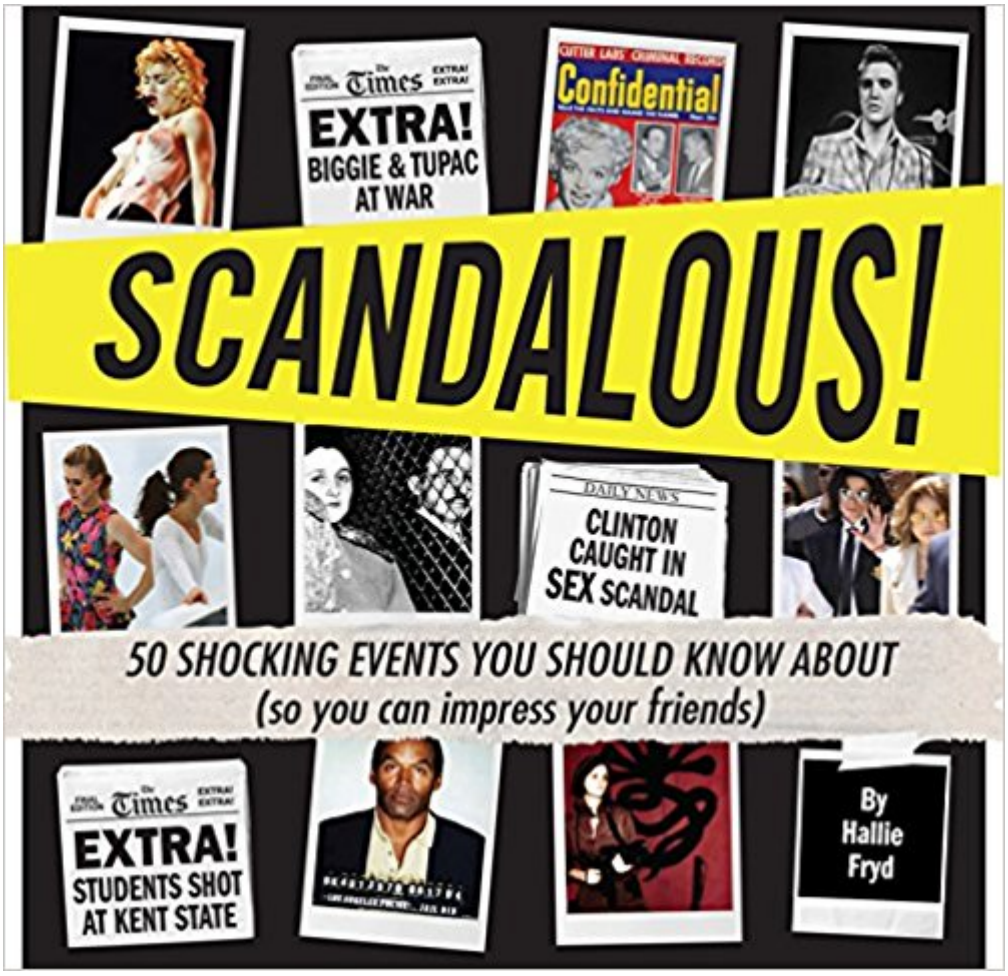
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Scandalous!: 50 Shocking Events You Should Know About (So You Can Impress Your Friends)



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Do you love a good scandal? This book includes 50 juicy pop culture, political, and entertainment-related scandals complete with photos, event synopses, and a look at why it went down in history and how it continues to influence us today. Other features include famous quotes and a section on where the players are now.

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I’m thoroughly enjoying reading this book. I can’t call myself a history buff because I on’t have any minor degrees to show for it. But I’m often turning to historic events and persons for entertainment. I catch STUFF YOUR MISSED IN HISTORY podcast every week, and I’m kind of a sucker for those over dramatic History Channel specials.This book, Scandalous stands out from other historic anthologies I’ve gone through. The stories are interesting, some you may know, some you may not but they’re all broken down in a solid format. First the author gives you the facts and events, and

then you get the aftermath (which is often the part I like best. I love hearing the impact and how the lives turned out after the "scandal".), you read how it relate-able today, and finally some quote from the time of the event.It seems like a weird thing to point out, but I also like the size of the book. Its dense, sure. But it’s not a huge bulking yellow paged size book like other books of its kind I’ve read. They’re usually so big it’s annoying to carry it, or even keep in your bathroom if you, like me, enjoy reading on the can. This one’s more like the size of a Farside book. Is that a point of reference everybody knows? This is the kind of book you and pick up and read a few or a lot at a time and be satisfied either way.

I bought this as part of a book package for a neice of mine. I had to give it a skim to make sure it was appropriate for a 12-13year old, but ended up reading the entire book and fully enjoying it. Yes, the book describes SCANDALS that invovlved questionable characters, and indeed some of the content gets intense, but it is not only delivered in a digestible way (that is remarkably fun, btw), but the book provides other content to further stimulate thought/conversation on these topics, or at least give a different focus or perspective for each scandal. It’s life, too, and life involves a decent scandal every once in a while - hopefully none like these for any of my neices though!I was in my teens during a bunch of the scandals of the ninties that are sketched, and I must also say that Scandalous! helped me make sense of the events after the fact.I thoroughly enjoyed this book, and highly recommend it for anyone old enough to watch afternoon and evening television - it’s certainly time better spent!

I bought this book after a friend who shares my love of history recommended it to me. It’s fantastic. I love how the scandals in the 80s and 90s take me back to when these were headlines. It’s interesting to see how passing time has transformed our perception of some of these events. The writing style is informal and funny while not being condescending. You really learn about how all these events actually still impact us today. I also found myself discovering scandals that I had never heard of (like Stanford White) and learned that there has been many a "Trial of the Century" besides OJ. I think this would be a great book for parents to get for their teens who love history or anyone who loves a good scandal. Also (and I mean this in the best possible way) is a fantastic bathroom read as you can read a few scandals at a time. Great book!

This is a great little book, conversation starter. I purchased this book primarily because my children had become interested in the OJ Simpson case but this book is so much more. Very interesting and

enlightening. I would recommend it for quick history lessons on the cases it covers. They are small chapters but puts forth a lot of information.

The book is well researched and the variety of scandals discussed intriguingly broad, covering celebrities, crime, politics, and culture. The format and length of each scandal make it very easy for anyone to find something new and interesting just by flipping through. Some of the scandals touch on pretty heavy subjects, too, but are handled rather well. It's obviously targeted at a younger crowd, and while not really educational in a textbook sense, it may go a long way to pique the interests of history-minded teenager.

Great summer book full of interesting tidbits. Not sure how much truth is in it, but fun to read.

This is an entertaining and more or less informative book. The layout is fantastic for reluctant teen readers as it closely resembles a magazine. You get quite a variety of information here as well - everything from pop culture scandals to murders to politics. Some of the information is the same that I learned in high school history courses but it's presented in a much more entertaining way. Loved how easy it was to navigate from one event to another and I thought it was absolutely fantastic that everything was presented chronologically. My only gripe with this book is that the author does get a few facts wrong. Given how rich this book is with information, however, the very few cases of misinformation really aren't all that important; it does separate me from giving this book five stars, however, and is important to note for any teens using this book to present facts. Wish it was better edited in this sense, but still thoroughly enjoyable.

Who doesn't love having the inside scoop to something Scandalous? Growing up everyone I knew would come to me for the latest information on current events. Being the only child for years - newspapers, magazines, encyclopedias, and books were my close confidantes. I would soak up as much information as I could.This is the perfect book for young adults who need a crash course on some of the major events that happened in their parent's lifetime. Everything wasn't always about the Rihannas, Beyonces, and Lil Waynes of the world. Scandalous covers everything from The Miss America nude photos (Vanessa Williams) to the Bush/Gore election. Who can forget The Jim Bakker sex & money scandal?This book is very informative. The layout is perfect for kids who tend to shy away from anything regarding history. I can't rave enough about this book. I highly recommend this book.

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