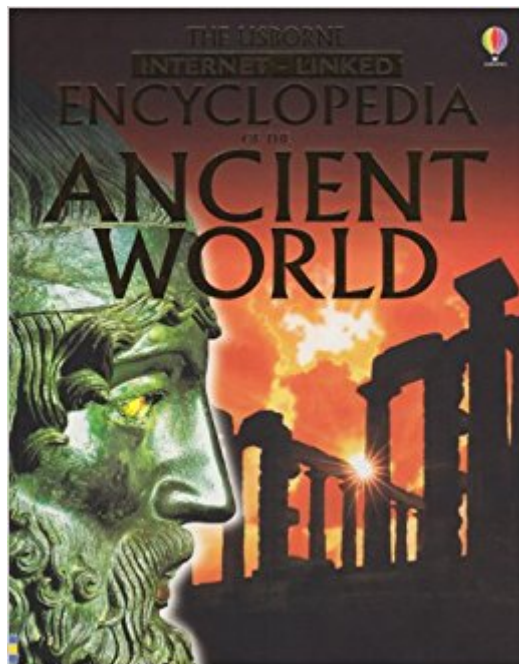




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# **The Usborne Encyclopedia Of The Ancient World: Internet Linked (History Encyclopedias)**



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This book has been a wonderful companion to our study of Ancient History this year. I especially appreciate that it just begins with the earliest known civilizations, rather than surmising about the beginning of the earth and humankind all together. This book jumps right in to what we know about ancient civilizations (and how we know it) and includes a wealth of information as well as great photographs and illustrations that really help to visualize what some of the things we are learning about may have been like. As with many Usborne books, they are very engaging for our kids to look through - they will spend hours poring over the pages - and our 6-year old is able to read and understand most of the text for himself as well.

There are two names in English publishing that assure a quality product for children (and adults): DK Eyewitness and Usborne. After Usborne added internet links, they raised their ante on the value of their books. "The Usborne Internet-Linked Encyclopedia of the Ancient World" is a fantastic resource for study of the civilizations of the Ancient World: Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece, and Rome. For each civilization there are sections on history, government, everyday life, religion, entertainment, maps, and many more topics. At the end of each unit is a fact-finder specific for each civilization: rulers, gods/goddesses, laws, and the like. The book is not just words. Illustrations, graphs, photographs make each page attractive and educational. For example, seeing for the first time an illustration of the size of the statue of Athena in the Parthenon just takes one's breath away. On the next page are illustrations of prayer positions of supplicants. I've seen each pose before in movies and documentaries and had no idea of the meaning. Fabulous tidbits of information fill each page. On a page of a photograph of part of Hadrian's Wall separating England from Scotland (an attempt to keep the Scots in their land and out of England) is the brave story of Boudicca and her uprising against Rome. To really appreciate this rich resource, you need to have it in hand and page through, stopping to read items of interest. Then keep it nearby to take out and read to enhance your own personal education. Very highly recommended!

This is an awesome book! Jammed packed with pictures of the ancient world that my kids are just literally absorbing. We are studying ancient Egypt and my kids cannot get enough of this book. What a blessing. Huge book that has a ton of information and I highly recommend for ages 8 and up! We are a homeschooling family, we love books like this one.

We use this title as a spine for homeschooling a 7 and 10YO in the ancient Greeks and Romans. Although we bring in a lot of other resources (biographies, myths, fiction books on the topics, field trips) it serves as a great organizing book and source of initial information and inspiration for "what's interesting enough to dig into further?" There is a great breadth of information and fantastic artwork-- both photography and other illustration as well as clear maps. My kids will dig out this book on their own and read from it even when they aren't "in school," and then they make lists of things they want to go look up in the library for more information. That observation alone says a lot!

nice glossy photos 4 famous civilizations the Mesopotamian, Egyptians, Greeks and Romans with basic information explained very simply and easy to understand for the average person who may

not been an expert on ancient history. Even though the book is aimed for younger people like children and teenagers I would recommend it even for adults who would want to like to start learning ancient history this would be a great start before you get into more complex books

This is an excellent resource book for kids and adults. My four year old loves to look at all of the pictures while I read and explain the time period or event in history. Perfect for the home schooler or after schooler.

enjoyed it well reading

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