Quiz and Trivia Books
Books filled with lists, facts, figures, and general information that may or may not be considered "trivial."

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1,000 Recordings to Hear Before You Die: A Listener's Life List
Tom Moon
Adult Nonfiction ? 781.6402 Moo
"A guide to music provides recommendations on one thousand recordings that represent the best in such genres as classical, jazz, rock, pop, blues, country, folk, musicals, hip-hop, and opera, with listening notes, commentary, and anecdotes about performers."

The American Heritage Science Dictionary
Adult Nonfiction ? 503 Ame
"This updated science dictionary offers readers a handy reference for everything from quarks to protoplasm, featuring more than 8,500 entries, 350 photographs and drawings, 320 biographical profiles, and coverage of the revised table of the elements and new scientific innovations through 2011."

Answer Book : 10,001 Fast Facts About our World
Adult Nonfiction ? 910 Ans
"Covers everything from earth sciences to astronomy; from climate and habitats to human arts and cultures; from ancient history to cutting-edge technology; and descriptions, flags, and statistics of all the countries in the world."

Assorted Trifles: Thousands of Tantalizing Trivia Tidbits
Stanley Newman
Adult Nonfiction ? 031.02 New
"The editor of Newsday's nationally syndicated crossword provides a sampling of the most tantalizing trivia that he has encountered in his career."

**Bartlett's Familiar Quotations**

**John Bartlett**  
Adult Nonfiction ? 808.8 Bar  
"A completely revised and updated edition provides a sweeping overview of the cultural influence of inspirational language."

**The Biographical Dictionary of Popular Music: from Adele to Ziggy, the Real A to Z of Rock and Pop**

**Dylan Jones**  
Adult Nonfiction ? 781.64 Jon  
"An incredible and opinionated collection of celebrated cultural critic Dylan Jones's thoughts on more than 350 of the most important artists around the world, alive and dead, big and small, at length and in brief. This A to Z reference is the true musical heir to David Thomson's seminal The New Biographical Dictionary of Popular Film."

**The Handy Mythology Answer Book**

**David Adams Leeming**  
Adult Nonfiction ? 201.3 Lee  
"Examines and explains, in plain English, numerous myths and mythology. From the ancient Greek and Roman to Egypt and Babylon, from Native North American Indian to Celtic, Middle Eastern, Indian, Asian, African, and the lesser known myths from around the world. Includes a glossary of commonly used terms and an appendix of parallel mythology exploring universal themes, motifs, and archetypes from across various cultures."

**How Many Moons Does the Earth Have? The Ultimate Science Quiz Book**

**Brian Clegg**
Ken Jennings's Trivia Almanac: 8,888 Questions in 365 Days

Ken Jennings
Adult Nonfiction ? 030 Jen
"This book for trivia buffs, compiled by the all-time Jeopardy champion, has 366 entries featuring 'This Day in History' factoids, trivia quizzes, and questions categorized by Jennings as 'easy,' 'hard,' and 'yeah, good luck.' Topics cover every subject, from paleontology to mixology, sports feats to Bach suites, medieval popes to daytime soaps."

Learn Something New Every Day: 365 Facts to Fulfill Your Life

Kee Malesky
Adult Nonfiction ? 031.02 Mal
"National Public Radio's longest serving librarian shares her research savvy in this clever compendium of 366 clearly written half-page entries, including one for leap years. The material ranges from history and science to arts and language."


Leonard Maltin
Adult Nonfiction ? 791.4 Leo
"Offers readers a comprehensive reference to the world of film, including more than thirteen thousand DVD titles, along with information on performers, ratings, running times, plots, and helpful features."

National Geographic Almanac of American History

James Miller
"Featuring stunning images, revealing maps, historic facts, and concise analysis, this is carefully balanced to provide readers with a deeper comprehension of United States history: the book's four major sections are enhanced by a thorough table of contents, a detailed index, and bibliography, plus a feature on how to use the book."

**National Geographic Almanac of World History**

**Patricia Daniels**

"Rich in cartography, information, and illustrations, each chapter features three types of easy-to-access entries, including lively introductory spreads that are filled with time lines, charts, images, and sidebars; essay spreads that give more in-depth information on a person, place, or event; and finally, summary spreads that reveal what was happening simultaneously in other parts of the world."

**The Princeton Handbook of World Poetries**

**Roland Greene, Stephen Cushman, eds.**

"The articles in this reference book, all fully updated and from the Princeton Encyclopedia of Poetry and Poetics, Fourth Edition, provide a complete survey of the poetic history and practice in over 100 major national, regional, and diasporic literatures and language traditions throughout the world".

**Religion 101: From Allah to Zen Buddhism: An Exploration of the Key People, Practices, and Beliefs That Have Shaped the Religions of the World**

**Peter Archer**

"Religion 101 offers a fascinating?and memorable?glimpse at the sacred stories, traditions, and doctrines that have influenced today's most popular religions. With hundreds of important religious facts, illustrations, and thought puzzles."

**Robertson's Book of Firsts: Who Did What for the First Time**

**Patrick Roberston**
Robertson has identified a first time in America for each entry. Comprehensive yet carefully curated, it catalogs watershed events of social relevance. It includes major achievements, but not mere curiosities. The result is a catalog of useful inventions and beginnings of trends, an index of American and global culture.

The Rough Guide to Film

Richard Armstrong, ed.

Series: Rough Guides

Includes a section 'Essential films & filmmakers' broken down by genre (e.g., Action, Horror) and country or region, each section of which lists five great directors, five great classics, and five lesser-known gems for that section.

The Smithsonian Book of Air & Space Trivia

Amy Pastan

Gives a bite-size overview of human flight from primitive attempts at aircraft to commercial jets, space in pop culture, and military aviation. The book's Q&A format makes it easy to pick up for either a minute or an hour. In addition to the canon of space and aviation information, the pages are illustrated with more than 125 objects from the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum's collections.

So You Think You Know the Presidents? Fascinating Facts about Our Chief Executives

Peter Meltzer

Full of interesting insights and quirky questions, this book goes beyond oft-discussed presidential trivia and exposes the reader to the stories that define our nation's chief executives as individuals. A great reference guide for students and avid history buffs alike.

Super Pop! Pop Culture Top Ten Lists to Help You Win at Trivia, Survive in the Wild, and Make it Through the Holidays

Daniel Harmon
This hilarious and wide-ranging guide sorts nearly 500 different bestsellers, blockbusters, and underappreciated gems into quirky top ten lists. Whether you're looking for some motivational workout music, need help planning a July 4th double feature, or just want to pick up some knowledge without straining your brain, this book has you covered.

The Trivia Lover's Guide to the World: Geography for the Lost and Found

Gary Fuller

"Fuller provides extensive background, clear illustrations, and thorough explanations for each intriguing question, carefully grounding the text in practical geographic concepts highlighting issues that are far from trivial."

The Utterly, Completely, and Totally Useless Science Fact-o-pedia: A Startling Collection of Scientific Trivia You'll Never Need to Know

Wendy Leonard

"Loaded with nearly 2,000 fun facts, this encyclopedia will arm you with hundreds of useless (and not so useless!) scientific tidbits. Featuring a range of subjects, from anatomy and anthropology to physics and psychology, it's a virtual treasure trove of information!"

Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me! The Oddly Informative News Quiz

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The World: a Traveller's Guide to the Planet

Victoria Footscray

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