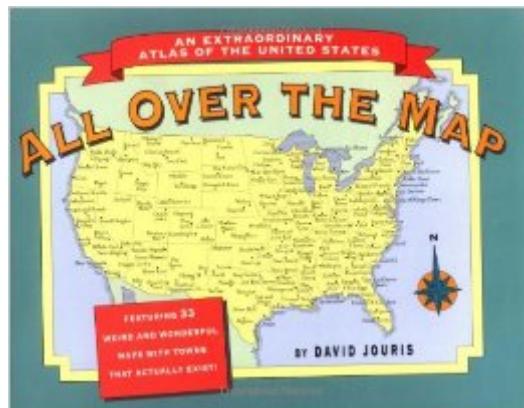


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Customer Reviews

A lot of fun to read, which is why I found one exception. Nada, Texas, is a Czech word for "Hope". It is pronounced "nay-da". Which means it can't be on your pessimistic map. A small point, I know, and only someone from this 97 person community would know this. What a wonderful collection! I bought the book because it has Nada, and many other wonderful communities divided into great maps! Wouldn't it be great to write about how these different places got their strange names!

I did a whole Social Studies project around this book. It is very funny and interesting. I especially liked the pessimistic map. It had cities like Hell, Michigan. So, if you are interested in U.S. geography and need a good laugh, I recommend this book to you.

This book has errors. Why? I think because the author wanted to be able to fill his quota of "names". That, in and of itself, is sad. The only people who will know about the phony towns, are those who live in the area. For instance, I challenge ANYONE to find a town named "Poll" in Utah--good luck."Featuring towns that actually exist!" Where? Where do they exist, Jouris? In your head?

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It's hard to classify All Over the Map. It's a map book, sure, but is it geography, history, politics, or just good for a trivia match? I don't guess it matters, though, since it's fascinating to peruse the maps and see some of the names that have been used for US cities, and to wonder how they got those names. Mostly, you'll have to keep wondering, although opposite each map page is a page that does give the historical background for some of the towns listed. It's most fun to look at your own state, but don't miss the other 47 states either (Alaska and Hawaii aren't shown). In my state (Georgia), two of the major cities are Rome and Athens on the "Classical Map." On the "Mythical Map" are towns like Juno and Vesta. But I don't know how Cairo, Georgia missed being on one of the almost three dozen maps. All Over the Map is a fun book for geography lovers, trivia buffs, or anyone interested in the quaint or odd names chosen for US cities.

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