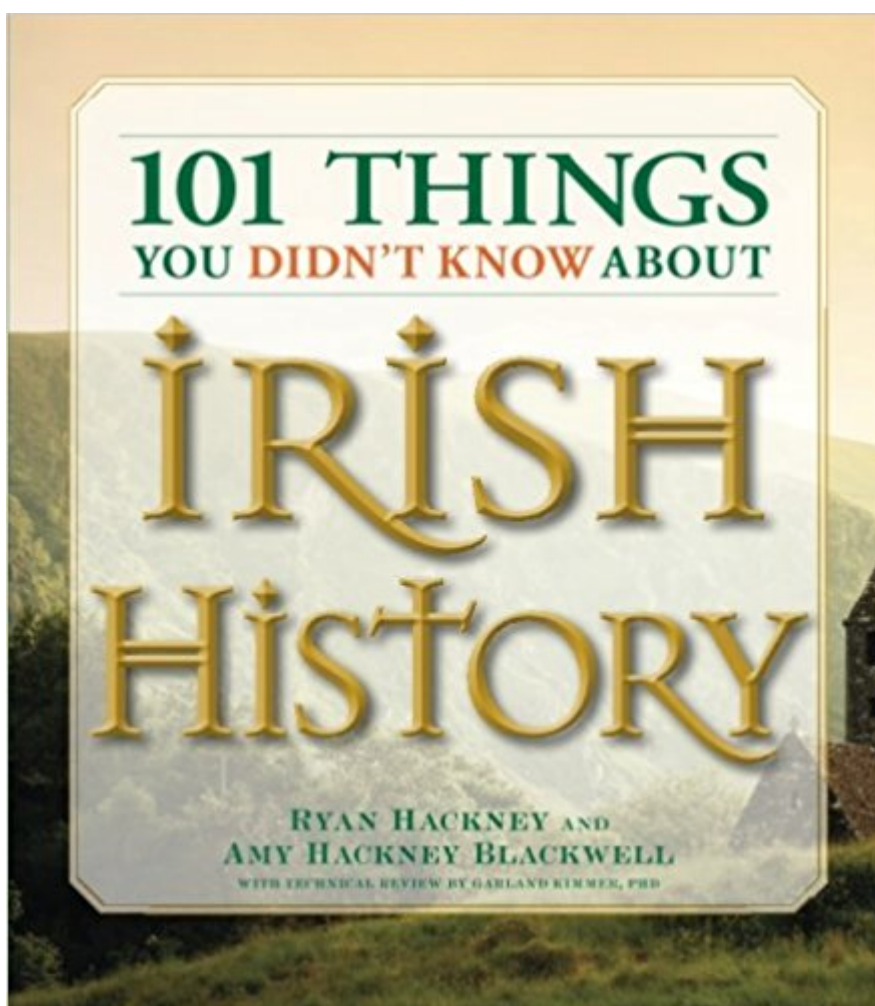


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# 101 Things You Didn't Know About Irish History: The People, Places, Culture, And Tradition Of The Emerald Isle



## Synopsis

Discover the truth behind the myths of the Emerald Isle. Forget about shamrocks, leprechans, and all that blarney; 101 Things You Didn't Know about Irish History dispels the myths and tells the true story of the Irish. Inside, you'll learn about: Lives of the ancient Celts before the British invasions. Famous Irish including Michael Collins, Charles Parnell, and Bono! The potato famine and emigration (were there really gangs of New York?). Irish music and dance. Complete with an Irish language primer and pronunciation guide, 101 Things You Didn't Know about Irish History is an informative reference for anyone who loves the Irish.

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there's a lot of interesting trivia throughout this book+can lead the reader to many historical events to do more research on A+

When I was in school, I studied Medieval history, with an emphasis on England, and it astounded me when I read this book to realize how little I really knew about Ireland and Irish culture and history! I liked the format of this book - many (101, to be exact!) very short chapters, only 2-3 pages at most - that were easy to read and didn't overload on the facts. Most of the items were presented

in chronological order, though there was some overlap, especially during tumultuous times in Irish history. The tone was very light, and there were a few times where I thought it was a bit TOO light, but not to the point of being offensive. Factual information was given, but not in a way that made you feel you were reading a scholarly book. I did find it a bit tedious as the chronology approached modern times, but that's most likely just me, since modern history isn't my interest - the writing and style did not change. I was very glad to have a chance to partially fill in what turned out to be a huge gap in my knowledge, and finished the book with a much greater respect for the Irish and their history and culture. I would recommend this to just about anyone. It won't replace any scholarly works on Ireland and the Irish, but it's an excellent beginning book for someone who is casually interested in Irish history. For what it is - a quick, light, factual read - it's just right. Note on Kindle formatting: Excellent. I found a few instances of incorrect punctuation throughout the book, all which could easily have been found in a print version as well. There was nothing that impacted ease of reading.

This was a very entertaining book, I bought it for my husband and it turned out he already had it. I read it and there was so much information written in a concise yet entertaining manner. It's worth it to read, and it also great to test those friends/family members who think they know all about the Irish.

This well written book that answered 101 questions I might have had, or didn't know I could have answered. The book is searchable but also flows wonderfully if you just want to move thru Irish history. You could call it Ireland light, but very worthwhile. A series of mini-essays in chronological order that give you a great flavor and allow you to target those areas you want to target for more depth.

Great book. Wonderful stories.

Was a gift and she loves it!

Topically oriented and contained quite a few things I didn't know. An enjoyable and informative read

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