Economics Through Infographics
(Super Social Studies Infographics)
Synopsis

Trying to process economic information can leave you at a loss. You need to understand the connections in global markets (where was your cell phone made?), the crazy variety of currencies (from dollars to kronor), and the high stakes of spending (wants versus needs). How can all these statistics and concepts make more sense? Infographics! The charts, maps, and illustrations in this book tell a visual story to help you better understand key concepts about economics. Crack open this book to explore mind-boggling questions such as: â¢ How do people buy and sell things without money? â¢ What makes it hard to find a job? â¢ How do people use their resources to turn big ideas into big business? The answers will be worth a lot to you!

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Customer Reviews

ECONOMICS THROUGH INFOGRAPHICS by Karen Latchana Kenney is the newest book in the SUPER SOCIAL STUDIES INFOGRAPHICS series aimed at upper elementary school youth. Economics is an aspect of the social studies curriculum that can be difficult for youth to understand. Visual representations are an effective way to convey key concepts related to trade, currency, spending, markets, and business. In this work of nonfiction for youth, the author uses
à the money trailâ• to help readers understand how the cycle of money works. Questioning is woven into the text to stimulate student thinking. Blocks of text introduce key concepts and useful examples. While many of the examples explore topics connected to the every-day world such as iPhones, others are connected to social studies topics like the fur trade. From Australia to Israel, examples are provided from around the world. The author points out that professional economists use graphic elements to convey their ideas. Illustrator Steven Stankiewicz uses infographics to present the key concepts visually. Bright, attractive colors will immediately attract readers. A wide variety of visuals are incorporated including pictograms, charts, concept maps, flowcharts, timelines, and maps. Like any book focusing on economics, the book is likely to become dated in a few years. For instance, a section discussing the minimum wage ends with data from 2010, a dated flip phone is used as an example, and the cost of services like movies are likely to change. However, the book should remain current for the life of the book. The book concludes with an index, further information, and a glossary. Other books in the series focus on culture, geography, government, and history.

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