

HISTORY



Roundtable est. 2017

{meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Public Library}

September's Topic: The History of India

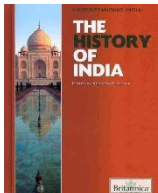
Meeting Date: Thursday, September 28th at 6:30pm

Register at www.greenwoodlibrary.us or by calling 317-885-5036

More info and handout at www.greenwoodlibrary.us/historyroundtable

Read. Watch. Listen. Discuss. Read *any* non-fiction book, watch a documentary, and/or listen to a podcast pertaining to the history of India. Once you've read/watched/listened to the item, come to the roundtable prepared to summarize your choice for all the participants. Possible resources include (but are not limited to) –

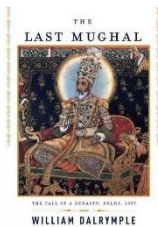
Books:



The History of India edited by Kenneth Pletcher – 954 HIS

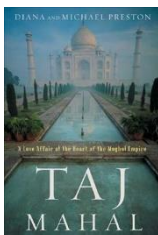
Describes the history of India, from prehistoric civilizations and early Indian society to the Mughal empire, British occupation, and India's fight for independence.

-eBook on www.hoopladigital.com*



The Last Mughal: The Fall of a Dynasty: Delhi, 1857 by William Dalrymple – 954.0317 DAL

A portrait of Mughal emperor, poet, and mystic Bahadur Shah Zafar II is set against the backdrop of mid-nineteenth-century India, the 1857 armed uprising against British rule, the final days of the Mughal capital of Delhi and its destruction in the wake of its fall, and Zafar's final days as an exile in Burma.

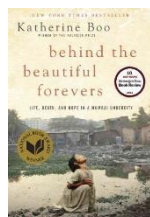


Taj Mahal: A Love Affair at the Heart of the Moghul Empire by Diana and Michael Preston – 954.0257 PRE

-Book on CD available via Evergreen Indiana*

-eAudio on www.hoopladigital.com*

A narrative history of the great monument of Moghul India traces the story of the Taj Mahal, built by emperor Shah Jahan as a memorial to his beloved wife, Mumtaz Mahal, examining its creation against the backdrop of the history of the Moghul Empire.



Behind the Beautiful Forevers by Katherine Boo – 305.5 BOO

-Book on CD and Large Print available via Evergreen Indiana*

-eBook eAudio on <https://cidc.overdrive.com>*

The dramatic and sometimes heartbreaking story of families striving toward a better life in one of the twenty-first century's great, unequal cities. In this fast-paced book, based on three years of uncompromising reporting, a bewildering age of global change and inequality is made human.

Documentaries:

[History of India](#) by Great Courses – available on www.hoopladigital.com*

Over 5,000 years, India has been home to a rich tapestry of cultures, and the lands east of the Indus River have long been a hub for trade and cultural exchange. Today the subcontinent contains 20% of the world's population and is an economic powerhouse. Go inside this thrilling story with A History of India, a breathtaking survey of South Asia from its earliest societies through the challenges of the 21st century. 36 30-minute episodes. *Patrons with Evergreen Indiana cards can check out 8 items/month.*

Podcasts:



[Gandhi's Salt March](#) – Stuff You Missed in History Class

<http://tinyurl.com/y9csxx5p>

When the British Empire controlled India, it used legislation like the salt tax to control the population. Learn how Gandhi's non-violent salt march triggered a wave of protest leading to Indian independence.

[Lakshmi Bai: Who is India's Joan of Arc?](#) – Stuff You Missed in History Class

<http://tinyurl.com/yaz5cq53>

Lakshmi Bai was born into a wealthy family in 1830, but she was far from the typical aristocrat. In this episode, Deblina and Sarah recount the life and work of Lakshmi Bai, from her youth to her instrumental role in the Indian Rebellion of 1857.

Online Videos:



Indus Valley Civilization: Crash Course World History #2 -

<http://tinyurl.com/l9jfbkb>

John Green teaches you about the Indus Valley Civilization, one of the largest of the ancient civilizations. John teaches you the who, how, when, where and why of the Indus Valley Civilization.

Buddha and Ashoka: Crash Course World History #6 - <http://tinyurl.com/yddy4h6p>

John Green relates a condensed history of India, post-Indus Valley Civilization. He explores Hinduism and the origins of Buddhism. He also gets into the reign of Ashoka, the Buddhist emperor who, in spite of Buddhism's structural disapproval of violence, managed to win a bunch of battles.

The Mughal Empire and Historical Reputation: Crash Course World History #217 -

<http://tinyurl.com/o37ujzp>

John Green teaches you about the Mughal Empire, which ruled large swaths of the Indian Sub-Continent from 1526 to (technically) 1857. While John teaches you about this long-lived Muslim empire, he'll also look at the idea of historical reputation and how we view people from history. Namely, he'll look at the reputations of Mughal emperors Akbar I and Aurangzeb.

Nonviolence and Peace Movements: Crash Course World History #228 -

<http://tinyurl.com/lqjk9xw>

In which John Green teaches you about nonviolence and peace movements in the 20th century. What is nonviolence? What is a peace movement?

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