



One Bloody Thing After Another The World's Gruesome History

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Description

A grisly and gruesome guide to history's most shocking and macabre moments...

Horrible, spine-chilling and deeply fascinating, this book details the vile history of bloodthirsty kings and queens, savage battles, torture and punishment, as well as deathly locations from the days of the ancients to the late nineteenth century.

Moving chronologically, this horrifying guide explores the world's bloodiest battles and most murderous queens, as well as delving into some of the more unusual aspects of history.

Find out who bathed in the blood of young women to retain her youth and what really happened at the Massacre of the Festival of Toxcatl, discover why Ivan the Terrible was so called and how King Henri II of France perished in a jousting incident, all the while learning about the most painful torture methods ever used.

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Sales Points

- A new-look paperback edition of the hardback, which sold over 10,000 copies
- Lively, incisive and informed, *One Bloody Thing After Another* sheds light on some of history's darkest corners
- Moves chronologically through the ages of torment, from the Crusades and medieval dungeons to the Reign of Terror and witch trials
- Includes biographies of scandalous figures such as Vlad the Impaler and Emperor Caligula, as well as the gruesome history behind The Massacre of Beziers

Author Biography

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