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Travel through the exciting world of cartography with *Map Art Lab*. This fun and creative book features 52 map-related activities set into weekly exercises, beginning with legends and lines, moving through types and styles, and then creating personalized maps that allow you to journey to new worlds. Authors **Jill K. Berry** and **Linden McNeilly** guide readers through useful concepts while exploring colorful, eye-catching graphics. The labs can be used as singular projects or to build up to a year of hands-on creative experiences. Map Art Lab is the perfect book for map lovers, creative/DIY-inspired, designers. Artists of all ages and experience levels can use this book to explore enjoyable and engaging exercises. Everyone loves maps. And what's not to love? They are beautiful and fascinating, they teach you things, they show you where you are, places you long to go, and places you dare to imagine.

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Terrie says

Some fun ideas here if you like working or making/drawing/creating maps. I like all the Lab books.....

Amoreena says

I had really high hopes for this book and when I finally got it, I wasn't as impressed as I thought I would be...There are a couple of good starter ideas but not a lot I would incorporate into my own art or use in my classroom. My expectations might have been too high?

Leanne says

An incredible selection of varied and inspiring projects in this book. Some are not my thing but there's enough here to keep me dipping into it for a good while to come.

Carolyn says

Wonderful world of maps!

I was so inspired by this book. I can't wait to try my hand at map art. So many different ideas, where to begin? I will go back to this book for reference many times in the future.

Betsy Nelson says

Nice pictures and examples. Plenty of interesting ways to make maps. The author has a cheery and engaging way of writing.

In spite of that, it still wasn't exactly what I was looking for. Maybe I'll have to write that book myself.

Ann says

Map love, inspiration !! I can hardly wait to incorporate maps into my art work., I have always loved maps!!
Ask me how to get to a place and I will draw you a map,,
A great resource for teachers and artists. Visual entertainment!

Quinn says

Lots of ideas that you can take and run with in any direction you want. If you have some prior art experience, the ideas are easy enough to follow without detailed step-by-step. There are directions, but more overview than every-eyelash-on-the-fairy. Good for inspiration, too.

Tracy Canuck says

Love this book. Very creative. It helps if you love the idea of representing info in a map-like-form

Jen Potter says

For awhile now, I've had a map project in mind, but no idea where to start. This book not only gave me ideas for that project, but inspired me to tackle a few others that would have never occurred to me.

The labs are well written and all seem doable. Even if you are not a trained artist. The sidebars with historical and other tidbits are interesting. The artist profiles are inspiring. And the list of resources is great. (Unfortunately, at least one of the URLs is out-of-date (I've not tried them all), but that's always going to be a problem with the internet. So, a forgivable issue.)

Many of the labs would be fun for kids and adults alike.

Chris says

Loved! Definitely need to buy my own copy because the library copy is just bristling with "try this" bookmarks.

Robin says

So many great ideas here -- from literal maps to more figurative ones (a friendship map, map of you & me) to things that can be made with maps. Plus map basics -- like a compass rose, legends, cartouches, and artistic elements, like decorative borders and even sea monsters.

Start with *Me on the Map* by Joan Sweeney for the youngest kids . . . and then have a whole map program.

Lots of great ideas for all ages (plenty for adults -- not necessarily a kids book).

Juliana says

I wish I had time to do some of these amazing looking projects. Instead I'm content to look through and enjoy the creativity.

Kate says

There are a lot of great projects in here .. some for personal exploration, some for group exploration (which were neat) and a lot of great things for kids. I would have LOVED to have a book like this when I was a tween or nerdy teen. Brings back shades of my adventures in D&D map making. The ideas in here would have added a whole new dimension.

Brigette says

Creative ideas! I've had several ideas for some map/art/memorabilia projects brewing for a long time & this book has given me some more to think about. I like how the author's bring out maps' artistic & storytelling qualities.

Lily says

A friend gave me this a few years ago now as a birthday present. I've flipped through it a hundred times or something (because seriously, this is the most beautiful book about maps I've ever seen) but I've only really sat down and read the actual words now. The advice is as great as the pictures, and it wants me to go out and buy tissue paper, dyes, and PVA glue in good old Art-Attack style. The projects look like great fun and really easy to have a go at whether or not you're an artist. The information is detailed and the right kind of easy to digest, and gives me a desire to look up all these featured artists and techniques and historical things about maps. It's fantastic and I really can't wait to have a go at making some maps having a go at some of these ideas and projects. Best book ever for a wannabe-cartographer! Thank you!
