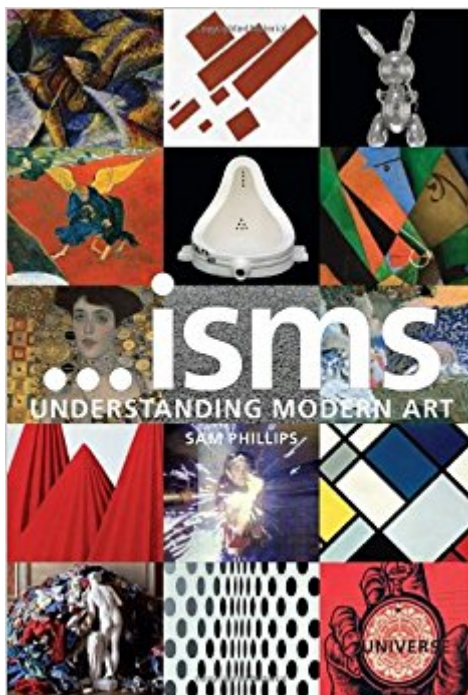


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# ...isms: Understanding Modern Art



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I used this to explain much of modern art history to my ten year old before a trip to MOMA. This was extremely helpful, especially when used with *Understanding Modern Art (An Usborne Introduction)* by Cook, J. (Cook's book was excellent, and a good place to start) and *What Are You Looking At?: The Surprising, Shocking, and Sometimes Strange Story of 150 Years of Modern Art* by Gompertz and *...isms: Understanding Modern Art ...* by Sam Phillips. These three books can be very helpful

and made our trip to MOMA very successful and enjoyable.

Its more of a nice and small quick reference guide. Gives you brief run-downs of an art period, the dates, and major artists. I use it if I want to look up a certain style but can't remember what it is considered. Then I can go do more research from there. Only thing I wish it had more of is 21st century art and honestly a few more examples of the artwork.

I had to get this book for a Survey class I'm taking and it seems lacking. Supplement this book with theories of modern art if you are serious.

Excellent book. I am learning a lot & also sorting the information I already have on modern art. Very clearly written & excellent art/photo examples.

Excellent overview of diverse aspects of Modern Art; but overly strained to find an "ism" term for each aspect.

Good book with lots of beautiful photos.

This book has very good explanations, a must have for contemporary artists.

The book is not that well-written. It's too surface, too shallow. I bought this for my son who attends art school. It's just okay.

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