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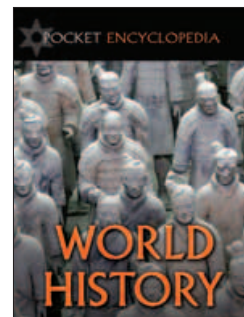
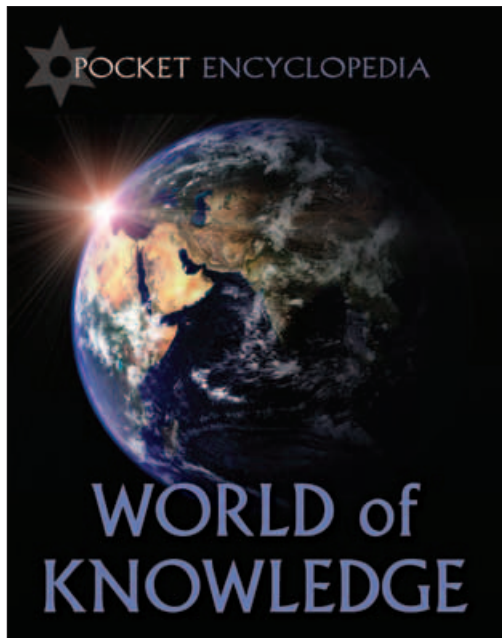
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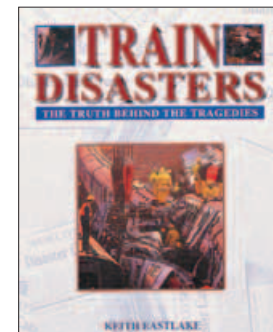
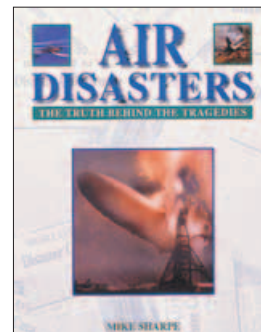
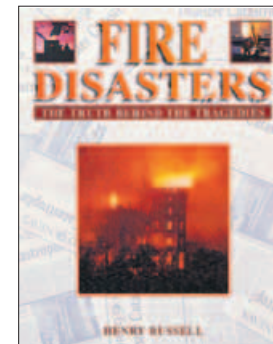
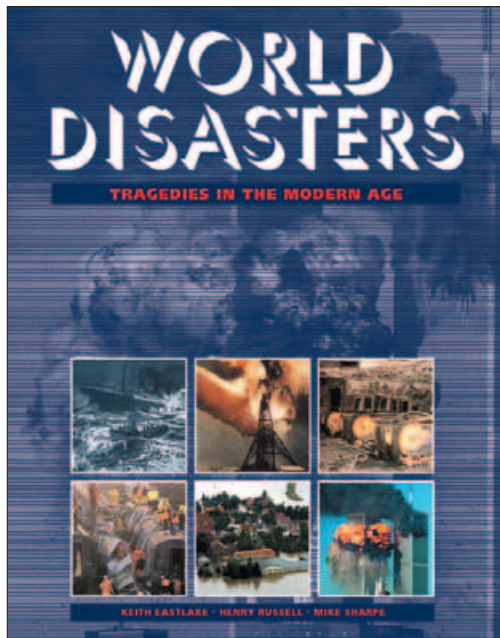
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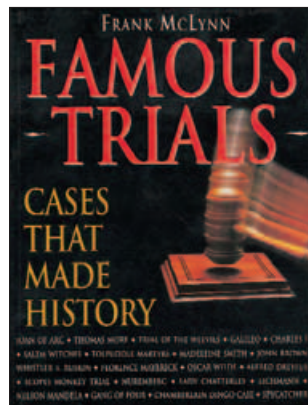
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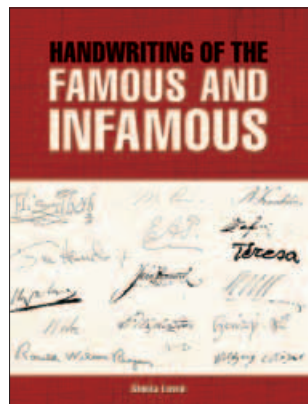
This title captures the drama of 34 controversial legal cases, from the world of Ancient Greece to the present day. A lively text and a liberal sprinkling of quotations and illustrations bring the legal battles to life, while brief biographies offer insights into the personalities of the main protagonists.

Frank McLynn

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