



What's in a Surname?: A Journey from Abercrombie to Zwicker

By David McKie

Cornerstone. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, What's in a Surname?: A Journey from Abercrombie to Zwicker, David McKie, This is the Sunday Times bestseller. Surnames are much more than convenient identity tags; they are windows into our families' pasts. Some suggest ancestral trades (Butcher, Smith, Roper) or physical appearance (Long, Brown, Thynne). Some provide clues to where we come from (McDonald, Evans, Patel). And some - Rymer, Brocklebank, Stolbof - offer a hint of something just a little more exotic or esoteric. All are grist to the mill for David McKie who, in What's in a Surname?, sets off on a journey around Britain to find out how such appellations have evolved and what they tell us about ourselves. En route he looks at the surname's tentative beginnings in medieval times, and the myriad routes by which particular names became established. He considers some curious byways: the rise and fall of the multi-barrel surname and the Victorian reinvention of 'embarrassing' surnames among them. He considers whether fortune favours those whose surnames come at the beginning of the alphabet. And he celebrates the remarkable and the quirky, from the fearsome Ridley (the cry of which once struck terror in the...



READ ONLINE
[6.57 MB]

Reviews

This publication is great. I have study and that i am sure that i will planning to read once more again in the foreseeable future. You will like how the article writer write this publication.

-- Dr. Uriel Kovacek

This created ebook is great. it was writtern very properly and useful. Its been printed in an exceedingly easy way in fact it is just right after i finished reading this pdf where basically modified me, alter the way i think.

-- Aglae Becker

Related PDFs



Valley Forge: The History and Legacy of the Most Famous Military Camp of the Revolutionary War

Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Includes pictures *Includes accounts of Valley Forge written by Washington and other generals *Includes online resources and a bibliography for...



Edge] the collection stacks of children's literature: Chunhyang Qiuyun 1.2 --- Children's Literature 2004(Chinese Edition)

paperback. Book Condition: New. Ship out in 2 business day, And Fast shipping, Free Tracking number will be provided after the shipment.Paperback. Pub Date: 2005 Pages: 815 Publisher: the Chinese teenager Shop Books all book. the genuine special part of the spot...



Houdini's Gift

Independent Publishers Group (IPG) - Chicago Review Press, 2009. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. Revisiting well-loved characters from a past adventure, this picture book presents animal-loving Ben with the challenge of having another pet after losing his pet hamster. Knowing that Ben is...



Dom's Dragon - Read it Yourself with Ladybird: Level 2

Penguin Books Ltd. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Dom's Dragon - Read it Yourself with Ladybird: Level 2, Mandy Ross, One day, Dom finds a little red egg and soon he is the owner of a friendly dragon called Glow! But...



It's Just a Date: How to Get 'em, How to Read 'em, and How to Rock 'em

HarperCollins Publishers. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, It's Just a Date: How to Get 'em, How to Read 'em, and How to Rock 'em, Greg Behrendt, Amiira Ruotola-Behrendt, A fabulous new guide to dating co-authored by Greg Behrendt, former writer on...



You Shouldn't Have to Say Goodbye: It's Hard Losing the Person You Love the Most

Sourcebooks, Inc. Paperback / softback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, You Shouldn't Have to Say Goodbye: It's Hard Losing the Person You Love the Most, Patricia Hermes, Thirteen-year-old Sarah Morrow doesn't think much of the fact that her mother winced a little...