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The two-volume *Encyclopedia of Populism in America: A Historical Encyclopedia* contains more than 330 entries covering the topic of American populism from its earliest occurrences in 1676 through the twenty-first century, with an emphasis on late nineteenth-century populism. Entries vary in length, from short, one-page entries, to more substantial, three- to four-page entries. Each entry includes extensive *see also* suggestions, which point researchers to other, relevant entries, as well as a list of references. Kindell and Demers have successfully compiled an extensive, informative, provocative, and useful resource for anyone studying populism throughout American history. While the entries are written by scholars, they are written with a wide audience in mind; the entries are accessible enough for a high school student to understand, but not so simplistic as to make it too basic for an advanced researcher in this area. This wide audience makes this encyclopedia a great addition to high school libraries as well as academic research libraries. One helpful addition in this encyclopedia set is the inclusion of a Guide to Related Topics at the beginning. Broad topics, such as Labor, are presented along with a list of important individuals, organizations, and events that fit into that category. This is a great starting point for students who may know what topic they want to research, but may be unsure where to begin. While this section does not include page numbers for the suggested entries, the alphabetic organization of this set, as well as the inclusion of a quality index, makes it easy for anyone to locate desired entries.