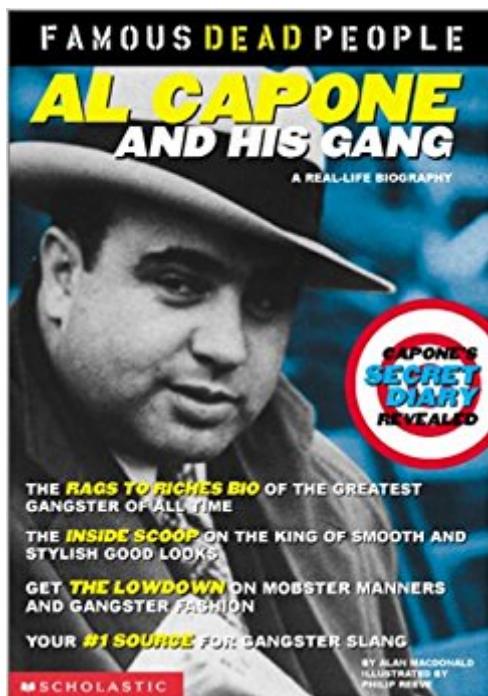


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# Al Capone And His Gang (Famous Dead People)



## **Synopsis**

Everybody knows that Al Capone was handy with his machine gun and had a few nasty associates. But in this book readers will discover all the fascinating facts they didn't know, such as how he lived with his mum all his life and was a trend-setter in banana-coloured suits. Everything you ever wanted to know about the mean they called Scarface. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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## **Customer Reviews**

My student is enjoying the dry humor of this book. I like the idioms used by the writer; it is giving me an opportunity to work on figurative language.

"I think Al Capone's name was mentioned in every news report today," a reporter once said. This was exactly how Capone liked it, as demonstrated in the biography, Al Capone and His Gang, by Alan MacDonald. I think Al Capone was nicer than many people thought - what do you think? Read this book to form your own opinion on whether Capone belonged in prison. Capone was an infamous gangster who gained fame and fortune and wanted everyone to know. MacDonald clearly portrays Capone in this fast paced book with short chapters, and keeps the book interesting by

including Capone's journal entries. Those who enjoy adventure will enjoy this Capone biography. Read this book to learn why the police had trouble convicting Capone of any crimes. Capone was born in New York, then moved to Chicago, where he completed a lot of his mischief. Most of Capone's life experiences, as covered in this book, took place near his Chicago and Miami homes. Later, Capone was considered the most famous gangster that served time in Alcatraz Federal Prison. This was reinforced as I read about his life of gambling, betting on fixed games, murder, hiring hitmen, and bootlegging. Capone was so powerful that even the police were scared of him! Al Capone was the main character in this biography about him. Other gangsters (enemies), police (enemies), and important people (sometimes helpful) were also mentioned in the book. Capone was my favorite character in this biography that covered his life history. I was amazed at what Capone got away with, as described throughout the book. He could have been caught many times but police didn't gather much evidence on him. I was more amazed that Capone looked out for less fortunate people, as described on page 161. He handed out \$100 bills to the needy and opened a soup pantry. Capone had a nice side for those on his good side! Reading this book went pretty quick, though it covered Capone's entire life as a gangster. I would recommend this book to any male middle school student. This was a pretty straightforward book, since MacDonald was presenting Capone's life history, and nothing was questionable. There are no other books directly related to this book. Capone was a gangster who rose from nowhere, achieved financial success, and will never be forgotten!

Al Capone was a real life mob boss from the 1920's and this is his story from beginning to end. The author describes the man, Chicago, and organized crime in the 1920's perfectly. It's almost like you're with Al Capone on his daily routes, on the streets and in jail. Money, booze, and women are what gangsters desire and this is what the book is about. The book was very written, and is very easy to read. The book seems like it is at a sixth grade reading level with cartoons and hand written notes said to be written by Al himself. It was in perfect order so you the reader could understand where the story was heading. This book is a good read for anyone who likes old gangsters, prohibition, and organized crime. I liked this book because it wasn't strenuous to read and had great info. about Al Capone and his gang. I give this book a four star rating. It's not a five star rating due to the lack of information on his wife and kid.

Al Capone and His Gang by Alan MacDonald is a great book about Al Capone. It describes his life in a comic book way. It also tells about his bootleg career. The quote I like best is, "I love my

job, that's what I'm good at," because I don't see how anyone could think killing is fun. This book also reveals Al's secret diary, and it's the number one source for gangster slang. I like this book because the life of Al Capone is really interesting and full of surprises. I recommend this book to teenagers who love biographies that are suspenseful and full of surprises.

From the first to last page, this book will keep you readin. Telling the full story of Al Capone, from his birth to his entry into gangs to his rise then fall, and his death. This book also has accutual gangster slang with translations. Also, it uses kid friendly comics, words, and police reports. It also dispells many rumors you may have heard about Al Capone. All in all, a great book. A must buy!

I'm an Al Capone fanatic and bought this book for kicks and i was surprised to find lots of facts for a tongue and cheek book about a world famous gangster. It doesn't make it gory for young minds, but lets them know of a man who did exist way back when (whether some people want to acknowledge it or not). A fun way to learn history's famous good and bad. AAAAA+++++

I liked this book because I learned a lot about gangs and their code words like "bump off" which means to kill someone and I really liked the comics on most of the pages. It was a gang book with comedy instead of gore. I would highly recommend this book if you are interested in Al Capone.

This is an amazing book and aimed for all ages but particularly for youngsters. It teaches the reader about Al Capone in a very friendly manor. After reading this book you will end up increasing your knowledge 100% about Al Capone and his Gang. This is a very educating book and i would recommend every one to read it!

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