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## **Britannica sums up 2010 with a list of lists**

**Editors pick top stories, people living and dead, their favorite articles, more**  
**CHICAGO, December 22, 2010**— There are many ways to sum up a year as it draws to a close, and this year the editors at Encyclopaedia Britannica have done it with a list of, well . . . lists.

The lists, which are being rolled out on [the company blog](#) through Thursday, December 23, represent the editors' collective judgments about the most important developments of the year. They include:

- ["10 Stories that Made 2010,"](#) such as the earthquake in Haiti, the Tea Party movement, WikiLeaks and invasive species;
- ["10 People of 2010 to Watch in 2011,"](#) which includes some you'd expect, such as U.S. speaker of the House presumptive John Boehner, and some who get less attention, such as Xerox CEO Ursula Burns and film director Kathryn Bigelow.
- ["Editors' Choice: Top Recommended Articles From 2010 by Britannica's Editors,"](#) which includes many of the new entries in the encyclopedia or those that were revised this year, some authored by Nobel laureates such as Desmond Tutu and Máiread Maguire;
- ["2010 in Pictures,"](#) a pictorial look at 2010;
- ["10 Notable Deaths From the World of . . .,"](#) several lists of the recently departed from science, politics, music, the visual arts and other fields.

"Every year is a unique and remarkable phenomenon, and there's no perfect, right or single way to summarize it," said Britannica executive editor Michael Levy. "These lists are

all subjective choices, but they're the subjective choices of smart and engaged editors, so I think people will enjoy them. And since they're on our blog, you can post comments and disagree. We welcome that."

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