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This fully revised and updated second edition of Migration in World History traces the connections among regions brought about by the movement of people, diseases, crops, technology and ideas.

Drawing on examples from a wide range of geographical regions and thematic areas, noted world historian Patrick Manning guides the reader through:

the earliest human migrations, including the earliest hominids, their development and spread, and the controversy surrounding the rise of homo sapiens

the rise and spread of major language groups (illustrated with original maps)

an examination of civilizations, farmers and pastoralists from 3000 BCE to 500 CE

trade patterns including the early Silk Road and maritime trade in the Mediterranean and Indian Ocean

the effect of migration on empire and industry between 1700 and 1900

the resurgence of migration in the later twentieth century, including movement to cities, refugees and diasporas

the various leading theories and debates surrounding the subject of migration.