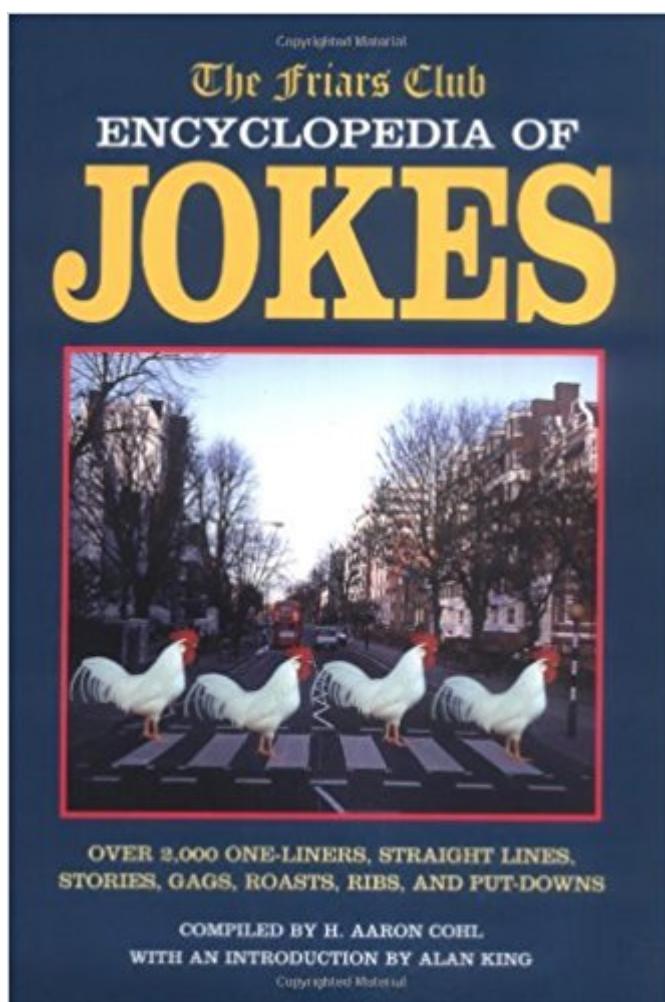


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The Friars Club Encyclopedia Of Jokes: Over 2,000 One-Liners, Straight Lines, Stories, Gags, Roasts, Ribs, And Put-Downs



Synopsis

Finally in paperback?with lots of brand-new jokes from today's top comedians. What could be funnier than a great joke? How about 2,000 great jokes? In this side-splitting compendium, revised and updated and featuring a new introduction by Drew Carey, members of the world-renowned Friars Club and other comedians provide zingers for every occasion, situation, and taste. Organized alphabetically and by topic, this book is made for browsing, but it's also perfect for finding icebreakers for social occasions, adding a touch of humor to business speeches, and spicing up toasts. Hundreds of the best-known comedians are represented, including Sarah Silverman, Ellen Degeneres, Lewis Black, Ray Romano, Milton Berle, Carol Burnett, George Burns, George Carlin, Johnny Carson, Billy Crystal, Phyllis Diller, Bob Hope, Alan King, Richard Lewis, Bob Newhart, Rita Rudner, Jerry Seinfeld, Robin Williams, and tons more.

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Customer Reviews

Barry Dougherty is the author of several books, including *A Hundred Years, A Million Laughs: A Centennial Celebration of the Friar's Club* and *BD&L's Private Joke File*. He is the Editor of the *Friar's Club* magazine, the *Epistle*.H. Aaron Cohl is the author of four books including *Animal Wisecrackers* and *Are We Scaring Ourselves to Death?*Since 1904 the Friars Club has been wining and dining the top personalities of the times. From ribald comedy to musical merrymaking, the Friars have spent a century cultivating a tradition of top-tier humor that has spanned many generations and spawned millions of laughs.

Even with Milton Berle's amazing, thick-with-laughs two volume Private Joke Files this is one of the best joke books on the market. Why? It truly contains great one-liners, straight lines, gags, roasts, etc. from the Friars Club, many of them attributed to the world's greatest entertainers and comedians. Don't give this to Little Johnny (although he may indeed like it) since some jokes in this superb book are adult oriented (with adult language, too) and - yes -- some are politically incorrect ("She's so fat she's my TWO best friends." -- unattributed). But you'll howl with laughter as you read many of these. And you can truly use them for any occasion or aim one at someone if you know his/her/its background ("You have to have a physical before you get into the Army. A doctor looks in one ear, another doctor looks in the other, and if they can't see each other you're in. If they can see each other, you become an MP." -- Joe E Brown). Some jokes aren't attributed but you'll find many jokes directly credited to classic and modern comedians ... EVEN BETTER: It is well-organized into topics and indexed according to performer. I read a lot of joke books. Some I read, find mildly amusing and file in the basement. This one stays on my self for reference (I am a ventriloquist believe it or not) -- and if I just need a pick-me-up belly laugh. WELL worth the price!!

I haven't really taken the time to look at this book yet.

From before the "Politically Correct Era", a must to read!!!

Humor doesn't hurt

This is a good reference book. The jokes cover everything you can think of. I cannot remember jokes for too long. So this book is a good way to help get out of crumby situations. Putting a smile on someones face, that is a little mad, is a good thing. That reminds me "What was the first thing Adam said to Eve; "stand back - I don't know how big this thing gets"

I like to laugh and variety is good. This book is not too bad has some off color humor but a good deal of it is funny either way. Some jokes are just not for out loud reading is all.

good material for a 'casual read'. like the range of people quoted and the time period covered. Index/alphabetized is good.

I reach for this book when I need to change my attitude and remember to smile. It works for me.

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