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This handy primer on all things Jewish is filled with funny, surprising and informative facts about Jewish life, culture, and religious practice—all presented in an entertaining and witty voice and accompanied by bold illustrations that pack a graphic punch. Jews, lapsed Jews, and their spouses and friends will surely learn a thing or ten while devouring this addictively readable mix of practical information, fun facts and figures, and amusing trivia. Including information on key figures from Saul to Seinfeld, a lesson in proper Jew-fro care, and a basic guide to all those second-tier holidays no one ever celebrates, this engaging compendium is perfect for gifting or for simply learning more while being thoroughly entertained.

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Terrie Clark says

Entertaining and educational!

I thoroughly enjoyed this book! I bought it to understand some of the holidays with which my new daughter-in-law grew up, and got a while lot more for my mon....er....gelt. Recommending to everyone. So much fun!

Don Goldberg says

Lots to learn. Lots to laugh

An entertaining way to learn a lot about Jewish history and culture. A valuable resource and excellent companion to "Judiasm for Dummies."
A wonderful gift.

Karen greer says

This book was a joy to read. I'm part of this wonderful tribe and I read everything I can get my hands on. This book was both, very informative and lighthearted. I grew up in New York listening to my father and grandparents speak Yiddish so the grandchildren wouldn't understand what was being said. Well, we were little sponges and picked up on the language. It was part of my world. Today my son asks me to say some words. He gets a kick out of it. I'm going to recommend he read this book to get a fuller understanding of who and he is and where he comes from.

Today I live in Arizona. The desert called me back. Unfortunately it's not the same feeling as living in NewYork but with books like this it sure helps. The author did a wonderful job and I thank her.

D. Thrush says

I'm part Jewish but, having been raised in a non-religious way, never knew much about the history or faith. The history of the Jewish people is a bit glossed over in favor of the history of traditions, terms, and the fascinating look into how certain professions were mastered due to being barred from owning land, attending colleges, and other social exclusions. The book is humorous, which makes it a much lighter read, but I never realized the enormous impact the Jews have had on the U.S. who welcomed them but with restrictions. From banking, to the entertainment industry, to comedy and TV, to ubiquitous street vendors in NY city. Pretty amazing for people who comprise only .02% of the world's population. For anyone who wants a full history of this country, reading about the influence of the Jewish immigrants is eye opening. I also enjoyed the inclusion of Yiddish phrases. This book has made me understand my Jewish heritage better and appreciate it more. The Amazon book page shows the page count as 176 but it's really over 300 pages.

Melody says

A rather irreverent look at all things Jewish. It was educational and informative but at times I felt it bordered on disrespect.

Paulo A. Reimann says

love every single page

Easy writting, sometimes serious sometimes witty. Loved every little bit already missing it. History, customs, tradition...humour. All together in one easy going book. A must read.

Xavier Alexandre says

A smorgasbord of Jewish religion, history, and culture. Can be quite witty at times. I skipped some of the most boring paragraphs.

Jennifer says

This is the funniest book I've read in a long time. You learn a lot about Jews and Judaism and have a great time doing it. Emily Stone is amazing! I bought copies of this book for all my Chanukah presents and EVERYONE loved it and bought it for their friends.

Leeza Wilson says

A Very Interesting and Thorough Study of the Jews

This book covered way more than I expected. I found it very engaging and informative, as well as well-written. The author kept it entertaining by using a bit of humor along the way. Emily Stone covers a long history of the Jews, Jewish culture, and religion, even covering Jewish influence in TV, music, literature, cuisine, and language. Her writing style made this a fun and easy book to read.
