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Science...For Her!





Synopsis

Megan Amram, one of Forbes' "30 Under 30 in Hollywood & Entertainment", Rolling Stone's "25 Funniest People on Twitter", and a writer for NBC's hit show Parks and Recreation, delivers a politically, scientifically, and anatomically incorrect "textbook" that will have women screaming with laughter, and men dying to know what the noise is about. In the vein of faux expert books by John Hodgman and Amy Sedaris, Science...For Her! is ostensibly a book of science written by a denizen of women's magazines. Comedy writer and Twitter sensation Megan Amram showcases her fiendish wit with a pitch-perfect attack on everything from those insanely perky tips for self-improvement to our bizarre shopaholic dating culture to the socially mandated pursuit of mind-blowing sex to the cringe-worthy secret codes of food and body issues. Part hilarious farce, part biting gender commentary, Amram blends Cosmo and science to highlight absurdities with a machine-gun of laugh-inducing lines that leave nothing and no one unscathed. Subjects include: this Spring's 10 most glamorous ways to die; tips for hosting your own big bang; what religion is right for your body type; and the most pressing issue facing women today: kale!!! Be prepared to laugh about anything in this outrageous satirical gem.

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Customer Reviews

This book is in the style of the successful Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert books that consist of bits, short chapters, sidebars, throwaway lines, captioned photos, running jokes, a bit of edge and some calculated awkwardness. Like those books, there is a unifying theme but every page or two switches gears so that you get a book version of a sketch show. Like Saturday Night Live or Second City there are some hits and some misses. When a bit is on it can be truly, honestly and bracingly

funny. When a bit misses, it just means it didn't work that well for you, or it went on too long, or it just never quite came together. I don't see how you could write a book like this and have every single idea work, and I was happy to just shrug, or even skim, and move on to the next bit of funny business. It helps that neither the book nor the author demand that you love them. The humor is mostly cheerful and based on a kind of gentle, if pointed, sarcasm. The author is funny and seems to enjoy being funny while making her point. There's enough self-deprecating humor, even if it's exaggerated, that you don't feel bullied or patronized. There's also just silliness and a lot of word play. Subverting expectations, and mocking the styles of self-help, celebrity, confessional, and similar books and magazines gives Amram a pretty big playing field and we do wander all over the map.So, if you'd like an engaging diversion and some smart humor this might be a nice choice. (BTW - According to the "Chemistry of Food" section Paula Deen's recipe for brown rice is a bowl of white rice mixed into a bowl of melted Junior Mints. Sorry. Tiny bits like this amused me. So, be warned that this is sort of what you'll find here.

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