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The Official Three Stooges Encyclopedia: The Ultimate Knucklehead's Guide To Stoogedom--From Amalgamated Association Of Morons To Ziller, Zeller, And Zoller



Synopsis

The Official Three Stooges Encyclopedia is a treasure trove of the timeless humour and slapstick comedy that has made the Stooges such comic legends. '

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Customer Reviews

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Always a fan! And Always love to read about the boys!! They've made me laugh for decades!!!

Good info book about some of the lives and loves of one of the most tremendous trio that ever trodded our terrain. Curly would have agreed by saying those immortal words, why so itainly !!!!

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The 5-star review is what the recipient of my gift gave it.

Saw the documentary and bought this book. I thought it rocked! The information about the lives of moe, larry, curly and shemp was very interesting and all those little things you forget in each episode are listed here in alphabetical order. I forgot how funny the STOOGES are.

What a fun book! Good organization, funny entries, really complete information. I even found the words to the Be-A-Be song! I really enjoyed this and will give it to my friends for Christmas -- at least a few of them, anyway!

As a very knowledgeable Three Stooges fan, I can honestly say that I've read almost every book available relating to the boys. Having read *The Three Stooges Encyclopedia*, I can also tell you, in my opinion, it is the best one out there. Jay Leno once said "half the world loves the Stooges and the other half wonders why". Mr. Kurson does a wonderful job of bringing the latter side closer with his painstaking research and understanding of what made the Stooges funny. Being the Stoogefile that I am, I loved parts 2-4 which contained the most complete listing of every possible name of anything or anyone in every Stooge short. It was a great reminder of why I love them as much as I do. For the non-Stooge fan (yes I know- some do exist!), if they were to read part 5 (which gave a detailed synopsis of every Stooge short ever made) then I'm sure they would be a Stooge fan now! To the two narrow-minded critics of this book, please tell me where else you can find the words to the Maharaja routine or the words to Ze Lollipop song? Before you critique any other books, I suggest you ask yourselves one simple question; "What is the author trying to accomplish?" What Mr. Kurson was able to accomplish through his seemingly painstaking (but enjoyable) research, was what made the Three Stooges the geniuses they were- it was their attention to detail. It's the names of their employers (Mr. A. Mouser, among others). It's where they worked (The Los Arms Hospital). Or even where they relaxed (The Hotel Coste Plente). Any book can tell you about their history, from the days with Ted Healy and the Annette Kellerman Diving Girls to when their comeback occurred. However, no other book illustrates so vividly their verbal humour (and attention to the little written details) that made them what they were. For that Mr. Kurson, I'm sure you made the boys proud. And as an author, you're the most intelligent imbecile who's ever written a book about the Stooges. Excelsior!

I received this book for Christmas and was really looking forward to it . . . until I started reading it. I won't reiterate the points made by the reviewer from New York (about two or three reviews down from this one), but I will say that he hit almost every point right on the money. This is not an encyclopedia as much as it is a hard cover fanzine. There is nothing informative here. Watch a Stooge short, jot down odd names or events, and viola you have the Three Stooges Encyclopedia. The reproduced stills have been reproduced ad nauseum in countless other books. You learn nothing about the boys, their careers, or the times in which the films were produced. I

would find this type of information more important than seeing a definition of Brighto. The Stooges were too important a comedy force to be glossed over in a book like this. And as a side note, I find it rather sad that the author and his brother cannot let the book stand on its own merit, but rather have to write their own reviews after getting a negative one. As a final note, I once again agree with the New York reviewer that the Three Stooges Scrapbook is by far THE definitive "encyclopedia" on the career of the greatest comedy team of all time.

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