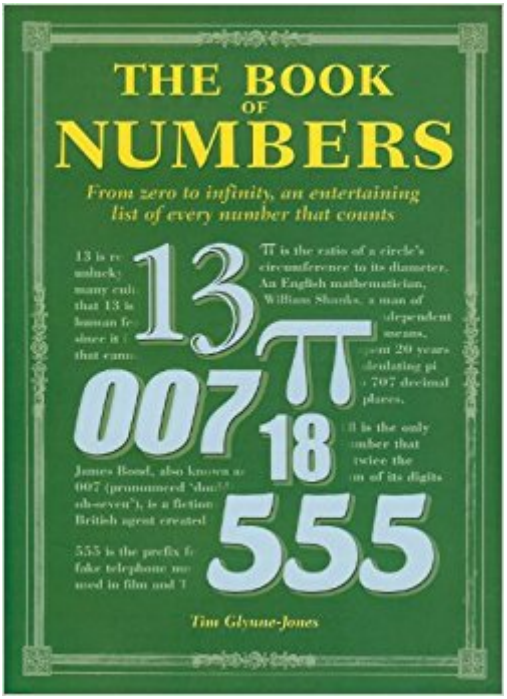
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The Book Of Numbers: From Zero To Infinity, An Entertaining List Of Every Number That Counts



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Synopsis

Within these pages, every number of significance is listed together with its special qualities and associations, featuring explanations, for example, of how a pack of playing cards came to have fifty-two cards, or why there are fifty-two weeks in a year. Where else in one place could you find out how the illegal numbers racket works, what makes some people see numbers as colors, why the standard US rail gauge exactly matches the axle width of an ancient Roman chariot, and the numerological connection between Adolf Hitler and Osama Bin Laden? Our lives are ruled by numbers and this book tells you about every one that counts.

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Ex-editor of the BBC’s Match of the Day magazine and currently managing editor of Restaurant magazine, Tim Glynne-Jones is an experienced journalist who freelances for a number of different publications, including Radio Times, Maxim, the Evening Standard, and Business Life. He is also the author of Game of Two Halves: Football Yesterday & Today.

pretty boring. Takes each number in sequence and gives you "fun" little tidbits of information you may not know. No real depth to the book, much of it is a cliche. By about the middle of the book you’ve had about all the fun you can stand...

I guess it is OK if the reader has absolutely no idea what certain numbers represent.But for those of

us who have an inkling this book does not add anything to what we already know. On top of that halfway through the book the editing starts to become sloppy and many mistakes (in the content) appear as well.

This little volume, though amusing, does not carry enough precisely developed numerical treasures in order to function as a source book. It is more akin to a light bathroom reader complete with toilet-style eighth-grade chuckles.

This is a delightful little tome for anyone who likes numbers,their significance and even a bit of mathematical curiosity thrown in. There are many books around that deal with Numerology and particularly ones that use numbers and their associations to predict the future. The difference with this book is that it covers many more areas where numbers come into play. It covers a lot of historical aspects and significience of numbers and many numbers that immediately bring to mind historical events, 1776 being an example.It also touches on fields of Recreational Mathematics such as Magic Squares and even Magic Triangles.interspersed .There are even sections that deal with statistics for the Continents.If you are intrigued by Prime ,Perfect and other special numbers ;you will find things like this; 1 X 1 = 1 11 X 11 = 121 111 X 111 = 12321 1111 X 1111 =1234321 11111 X 11111 = 12345432 or 67 X 67 =4489 667 X 667 =444889 6667 X 6667 =44448889 etc.,etc. Of course; no book on numbers would be comlpete without talking aboutthe Number PI 3.14159...:and we even get a mnemonic designed to help you remember this ratio to 15 decimal places.Then there is coverage on that greatest ratio ,found throughout the universe;Phi-The Golden Ratio 1.618. Then you will also find little gems like this: Take the Number 110 Both of the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center had 110 storeys,adding fuel to the numerological theory that 11 was a significant number in the 9/11 terrorist attacks.The Sears Tower in Chicago also has 110 stories. 110 also links Osama bin Laden with Adolf Hitler,by ways of Gematria and numerology.Osama bin Laden and Adolf Hitler both have a numerical value of 110. Let the letters be replaced by their order in the alphabet ;where A=1,B=2,C=3,D=4,etc. Then add them up and each equal 110. They are also "Birth Mates" by way of a practice that matches the numerical value of their birth dates.Hitler’s birth date is April 20 1889 (4/20/1889) and if you add the numbers until you’re left with a single digit,you have the numerical value of 5. 4+2+0+1+8+8+9 =32; 3+2 = 5. bin Laden was born on July 30 1957 or;7+3+0+1+9+5+7 = 32. 3+2 = 5. A fun little book with something of interest for just about everyone. Check your own birth date;you might be surprised at what you find!!

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