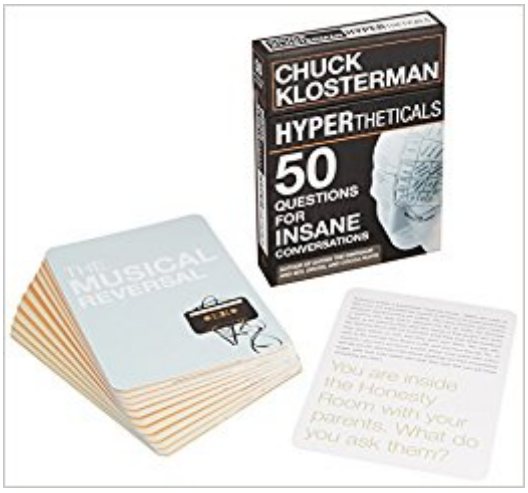
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Customer Reviews

Chuck Klosterman is the bestselling author of six nonfiction books (most notably Sex, Drugs, and Cocoa Puffs and I Wear the Black Hat) and two novels (Downtown Owl and The Visible Man). He has written for The New York Times, The Washington Post, GQ, Esquire, Spin, The Guardian, The Believer, Billboard, The A.V. Club, and ESPN. Klosterman served as The Ethicist for The New York Times Magazine for three years; appeared as himself in the LCD Soundsystem documentary Shut Up and Play the Hits; and was an original founder of the web site Grantland with Bill Simmons. He is a native of North Dakota and currently lives in Brooklyn with his wife, Entertainment Weekly TV critic Melissa Maerz.

Each one of the cards in this deck has a really interesting hypothetical to start a crazy conversation.

As an example: What if you could watch a movie of your dreams, but you had to let your family and friends watch as well - would you do it?I've had a lot of fun posing some of these questions to people I know. This is a really fun deck and would be a really great gift for the conversationally challenged.

I'm disappointed and actually cringing for the author. I was really looking forward to these cards, but they are so dumb it truly annoys me. I agree with other reviews that they are quite wordy. Many of the cards are a couple paragraphs long. I suppose that wouldn't be so bad if the hypothetical questions were interesting or thought-provoking. Sadly, these cards are juvenile and stupid. One of the questions actually asked if you would hire a highly rated interior painter despite the fact that he requested he be able to watch porn while he works, assuring you that he wouldn't masturbate to it. "Do you employ this pornography enthusiast as your house painter?" Really? These are the questions that are going to make me more interesting? The author clearly received criticism before he published these cards because the first card you read is him addressing his audience saying, "If these questions seem absurd or boorish or juvenile- that's totally fine. Don't read them and don't answer them. We don't need to be friends." The author actually sounds like a whiny 13-year-old fighting with one of his peers. Hey Chuck, if you have to defend your product before I even open it, you must know it's probably not very good. The only good thing about these cards is that I'm able to return them.

Thought this would be a fun/funny game but a lot of the questions are so serious, bordering on depressing. Not what I was expecting.

Chuck is one of my favorite authors, and his HYPERtheticals, which can be found in some of his books, are insane conversation starters and thought provokers. They are a lot of fun to drop at parties or social gatherings, and always illicit unexpected and fun results.

I'm a thinker anyways, so I love questions like this. You can have a great debate/discussion with people. Good conversation starters.

These cards come extremely handy on the road and when I go on dates. They're a little wordy, but very thought-provoking and entertaining. Guaranteed to make for fantastic conversations.

One of my favorite games to get conversations going- camping, traveling, date night, drinks bring them anywhere! A REALLY good way to get to know the inner workings of people. I have already given 3 of them as gifts...I wish they had more expansion packs or versions!

I love to whip these out at restaurants or parties and make my friends answer insane questions. The prompts are long but it’s fun if you’re into this sort of thing.

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