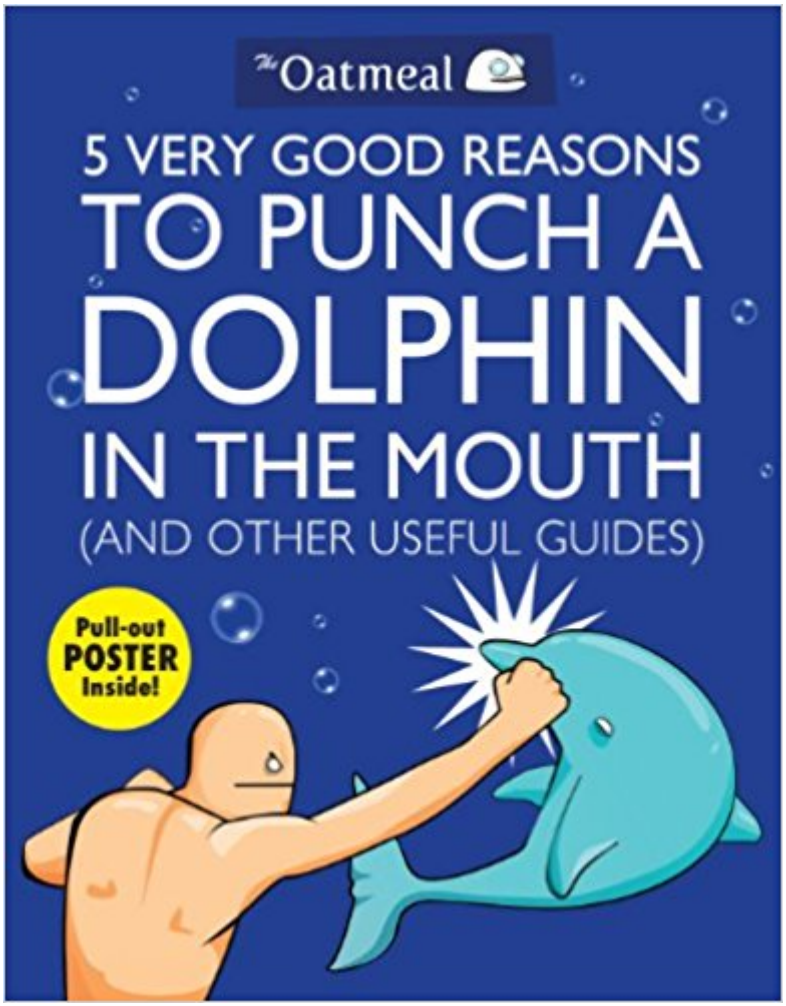
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Synopsis

In Matthew Inman’s 5 Very Good Reasons to Punch a Dolphin in the Mouth (And Other Useful Guides), samurai sword-wielding kittens and hamsters that love .50-caliber machine guns commingle with a cracked out Tyrannosaur that is extremely hard to potty train. Bacon is better than true love and you may awake in the middle of the night to find your nephew nibbling on your toes.Inman creates these quirky scenes for theoatmeal.com, which launched in July 2009 and already has more than 82 million page views. In fact, every 15 to 30 seconds, someone Googles one of theoatmeal.com’s creations. Now, 60 of Inman’s comic illustrations and life-bending guides are presented in full-color inside 5 Very Good Reasons to Punch a Dolphin in the Mouth (And Other Useful Guides). Consider such handy advice as:* 4 Reasons to Carry a Shovel at All Times* 6 Types of Crappy Hugs* 8 Ways to Tell if Your Loved One Plans to Eat You* 17 Things Worth Knowing About Your Cat* 20 Things Worth Knowing About Beer

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Social etiquette, animals, rules of grammar, and more are critiqued in ways ranging from the educational to the bizarre in this collection of comic strips from TheOatmeal.com. While proceeding directly from the newspaper strip tradition, these Web comics present observational humor that’s a little more vulgar, a little more clever, and a little more likely to end up with the reader actually learning something than would have been printed in a nationally syndicated comic strip. The humor, like many classic comics, is based on Andy Rooneyesque shared experiences, such as "10

Reasons to Avoid Talking on the Phone," "How to Use a Semicolon (The Most Feared Punctuation on Earth)," and "How to Track, Hunt, and Kill a Unicorn." These are presented in a text-heavy style supplemented with basic, XKCD-like drawings. While the collection is erratic, some of the best stripsÃ¢â ¬â •many dealing with catsÃ¢â ¬â •hit the universal funny bone. (Mar.) (c) Copyright PWxyz, LLC. All rights reserved.

"Matthew Inman is the Gary Larson of the Internet age."Ã Â (Ken Wheaton, Advertising Age)"If Inman isn't a king of the Internet, he's certainly among its royalty. The Oatmeal is one of the most popular humor sites on the web."Ã Â (Todd Leopold, CNN)"In 2009, Inman put his hand to the page, and the world hasn't stopped laughing since."Ã Â (Nick Carbone, Time)"Dangerously funny."Ã Â (TODAY.com)"Delightfully absurd musings on both everyday life and fantasy from an unusually creative mind."Ã Â (Kirkus Reviews)

The only reason why I didn’t give five stars to this book is because it looks pretty awful in the first Kindle edition. It gets really hard and blurry to read, so my first advice is: either buy the paperback version of this book or make sure you have a very recent version of Kindle. It should look better in a better-definition display.Regarding the contents, this book is hilarious. If you follow up with The Oatmeal’s posts, you won’t see many news here. This books is a compilation of the funniest and most useful posts (I personally find the Types of High Fives post extremely useful) and a couple of new ones (too bad that he didn’t include the "What if your brain was your imaginary friend", because I really like that one). If you liked the posts on the site and feel like re-reading them, then sure, go ahead and grab this book.

There is no place for exaggeration and unctuous praise in any review but I fear any fan runs the risk of coming across this way.I dutifully pre-ordered this volume and it was worth every penny.What’s so great about this book?1. It’s by the Oatmeal. Yeah, I know- duh.2. It contains a decent chunk of the classic comics plus some new ones and a removable poster. Sure it would been a wonderful addition to have the articles but hey, then it would have cost much more than $7 and change. It’s printed on high-quality paper and quite simply, a colourful addition to any collection. Not personally into such things but it might also be someone’s answer to the ideal micro-coffee table book.3. Not a single wasted page, which is amazing. Every book, whether it’s a textbook or nursery rhymes has b.s. pages that are blank. This did not. What can I say, I like efficiency and one less dead tree.Are any of the things I’ve enumerated reasons to help feed Inman for a day? Of course not.I won’t

pretend this book is life-changing, some overused adjective on par with AWESOME!!!, or that it's even necessary reading. A lot of this stuff is already online, so big whoop, right?Well... it cracks me up that this shot straight to the (very nearly) top amidst self-help, dieting, and pulp fiction. Therefore, I say make this baby shine.Help keep America semi-literate!

I never knew that dolphins were such jerks! I am so glad I bought this book, it has opened my eyes to so many dolphin-related cruelties. All joking aside though, it's a hilarious book with excellent tips and guides on how to live a better life.....Okay, not really BUT it is a brilliantly illustrated book that has relatable takes on common (and some not-so-common) situations. Highly recommend, but do keep in mind that it is not for children and should be treated as such. Enjoy!

I love Matthew Inman. I faithfully followed his webcomic after seeing a link shared on facebook. His punchlines and illustrations have got me through many depressing, drunken pitiful nights. His sense of humor is dark, witty, and offensively resonant with most people who have at least half their soul left. Buy the book, it makes for great bathroom and/or coffee table reading...!!!PS they also have sales on his website theoatmeal.com so you can probably grab it for cheaper there. I was just too lazy to set up an account and I knew would have it to my doorstep just in time for the holidays. It even comes with a poster (which, sadly, my dog shat on so I couldn't hang it up) But either way, good stuff! :-)

Inman's first collection is a mixed bag. Some of the bits in here are hilarious riffs on society, such as why phone calling is painful, the horrid experiences we all share iwth pedestrians, and airplane rides from doom. Some of the bits are educational: Tesla vs. Edison; the history of beer; Pig facts. Then, unfortunately, there are the duds. When Inman misfires, he misfires grandly. The five page segment on a poetry spouting pterodactyl is horrible!Overall, this was entertaining, but not as good as the newest collection about 'Grizzly Bears.'I will keep reading!

I love The Oatmeal, so gave this as a gift. Strangely enough, it seems to me that both my husband and I just don't pick this up very often. After the first read, there seems to be little reason to revisit it. I'd stick to online or maybe getting a poster of a favorite strip. The Oatmeal is just more satisfying, I think, when you can keep clicking. (Yes, this is just my opinion and has nothing really to do with the quality of the work within, but these days, perhaps a good portion of our enjoyment of creative works is coming from format.)

I purchased the kindle edition of this book a while ago. I downloaded it to my phone, and my e pad, and every other device I own. Whenever I need a good laugh, or I am just having a bad day, or just am bored in an airport, I pull this out and re-read parts of it. I get a kick out of it every time.My mom is one of those prim and proper type of people. When on vacation with my mother, I was horrified to walk into our room with her reading this off my e-pad, but she was laughing. As vulgar and gross as some of the things are in this book, my mom actually asked me if there was a way to transfer this book to her kindle. I guess it is just so over the top goofy, that someone like my mom even found it entertaining.

This is a book of humor from theoatmeal.com. If you have not heard of theOatmeal, go there now. If you have no sense of humor then you should probably move on.The construction of the tome itself is very high quality and shiny. I like shiny things. It has that new book smell too, of course, so you can get that high which is rarer and rarer these days. (e-books, I am looking at you) One of the issues is that as you are reading it on the can; you will find it is hard to balance opening the book, holding it open to read the juicy bits that are always on the interior fold and not creasing the binding. I tend to obsess about new book quality, but not so much as to not keep them near the crapper. You probably do not ever want to borrow a book from me. Or anyone for that matter; as we all know this is where 98% of the reading is done.Get the book, you will have a laugh and something nice to put on the toilet tank.

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