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Vanity Fair's Mike Sacks is both a practitioner and a scholar of the Art of Comedy, and with Poking a Dead Frog, he returns to territory first explored in And Here's the Kicker — the lives and minds of dozens of comedy writers from Mel Brooks to Amy Poehler. In these illuminating (and often wildly funny) conversations, he disproves

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Poking a Dead Frog: Conversations with Today's Top Comedy Writers. by. Mike Sacks. 4.14 · Rating details · 1,721 ratings · 149 reviews. A fascinating, laugh-out-loud funny look at the mysterious art of comedy, as told by legendary humorists from Amy Poehler to Mel Brooks.

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Poking a Dead Frog is a must-read for any comedy nerd or fan of pop culture history." Dana Brown, Vanity Fair Praise for And Here's the Kicker: Conversations with 21

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Today's Top Humor Writers "Compulsively readable...filled with great advice...A funny, sad, tremendously insightful group portrait of the comic mind."

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Comedy ...~~

Poking a Dead Frog (Paperback)
Conversations with Today ' s Top
Comedy Writers. By Mike Sacks,
Mike Sacks (Introduction by)
Penguin Books, 9780143123781,
480pp. Publication Date: June 24,
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Live has employed hundreds of comedy writers in its four decades on the air, but no writer has been associated with the show longer—or had more of a lasting impact—than James Woodward Downey. If Lorne Michaels is the face of Saturday Night Live, Downey is its behind-the-sc.

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a Dead Frog" it becomes clear that writing the funny words that seem to have been just tossed off casually hide a lot of hard work. Just as deceptively easy is the art of interviewing, and Mike Sack's skills as an interviewer may soon make him as famous as some of the people he interviews.

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Poking a Dead Frog NPR coverage of Poking a Dead Frog: Conversations With Today's Top Comedy Writers by Mike Sacks. News, author interviews, critics' picks and more.

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Mike Sacks ' ' Poking a Dead Frog ' cracks the comedy code Mel Brooks appears in Mike Sacks ' book " Poking a Dead Frog: Conversations with Today ' s Top Comedy Writers. " (Imeh Akpanudosen / Getty Images)...

~~Mike Sacks' 'Poking a Dead Frog' cracks the comedy code ...~~

" The true usefulness of Poking a Dead Frog to an aspiring comedy writer is in its clear-eyed picture of the gritty inner workings of the comedy industry....Reading about how a joke goes from the mind of a

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Today's Top Comedy writer to an episode of Community is like watching a magician reveal his secrets: Sure, it dispels some of the magic, but it inspires new reverence for the real skill that went into producing the effect. ”

~~Poking a Dead Frog by Mike~~

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Mike Sacks, a Vanity Fair editorial staff member, takes a more accessible approach in his illuminating and funny new book, "Poking a Dead Frog: Conversations with Today's Top Comedy Writers." He...

~~Review: 'Poking a Dead Frog' by~~

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Sacks ' first book, And Here ' s the Kicker: Conversations with 21 Humor Writers About Their Craft,

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Today's Top Comedy
was released in Summer 2009.

Some of those interviewed include: George Meyer, Harold Ramis, Al Jaffee, Buck Henry, Bob Odenkirk, Stephen Merchant, David Sedaris, Jack Handey, Robert Smigel, and Daniel Clowes. Poking a Dead Frog

Offers a behind-the-scenes look at the world of comedy, with contributions from such noted writers as Mel Brooks, Carol Kolb, George Saunders, Amy Poehler, and James Downey, along with advice and tips for succeeding in the industry.

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Amy Poehler, Mel Brooks, Adam McKay, George Saunders, Bill Hader, Patton Oswalt, and many more take us deep inside the mysterious world of comedy in this fascinating, laugh-out-loud-funny book. Packed with behind-the-scenes stories—from a day in the writers' room at The Onion to why a sketch does or doesn't make it onto Saturday Night Live to how the BBC nearly erased the entire first season of Monty Python's Flying Circus—Poking a Dead Frog is a must-read for comedy buffs, writers and pop culture junkies alike.

DID YOU HEAR THE ONE ABOUT
? Every great joke has a punch
line, and every great humor writer
has an arsenal of experiences,

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anecdotes, and obsessions that were the inspiration for that humor. In fact, those who make a career out of entertaining strangers with words are a notoriously intelligent and quirky lot. And boy, do they have some stories. In this entertaining and inspirational book, you'll hear from 21 top humor writers as they discuss the comedy-writing process, their influences, their likes and dislikes, and their experiences in the industry. You'll also learn some less useful but equally amusing things, such as: How screenwriter Buck Henry came up with the famous "plastics" line for *The Graduate*. How many times the cops were called on co-writers Sacha Baron Cohen and Dan Mazer during the shooting of

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Borat. What David Sedaris thinks of his critics. What creator Paul Feig thinks would have happened to the Freaks & Geeks crew if the show had had another season. What Jack Handey considers his favorite Deep Thoughts.? How Todd Hanson and the staff of The Onion managed to face the aftermath of 9/11 with the perfect dose of humor. How Stephen Merchant and Ricky Gervais created the original version of The Office. What it's really like in the writers? room at SNL. Funny and informative, And Here's the Kicker is a must-have resource - whether you're an aspiring humor writer, a fan of the genre, or someone who just likes to laugh.

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• NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY THE A.V. CLUB • Includes new interviews! From the writer and director of Knocked Up and the producer of Freaks and Geeks comes a collection of intimate, hilarious conversations with the biggest names in comedy from the past thirty years—including Mel Brooks, Jerry Seinfeld, Jon Stewart, Sarah Silverman, Harold Ramis, Seth Rogen, Chris Rock, and Lena Dunham. Before becoming one of the most successful filmmakers in Hollywood, Judd Apatow was the original comedy nerd. At fifteen, he took a job washing dishes in a local comedy club—just so he could watch endless stand-up for free. At sixteen, he was hosting a show

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for his local high school radio station in Syosset, Long Island—a show that consisted of Q&As with his comedy heroes, from Garry Shandling to Jerry Seinfeld. They talked about their careers, the science of a good joke, and their dreams of future glory (turns out, Shandling was interested in having his own TV show one day and Steve Allen had already invented everything). Thirty years later, Apatow is still that same comedy nerd—and he 's still interviewing funny people about why they do what they do. Sick in the Head gathers Apatow 's most memorable and revealing conversations into one hilarious, wide-ranging, and incredibly candid collection that spans not only his career but his entire adult life. Here are the

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comedy legends who inspired and shaped him, from Mel Brooks to Steve Martin. Here are the contemporaries he grew up with in Hollywood, from Spike Jonze to Sarah Silverman. And here, finally, are the brightest stars in comedy today, many of whom Apatow has been fortunate to work with, from Seth Rogen to Amy Schumer. And along the way, something kind of magical happens: What started as a lifetime 's worth of conversations about comedy becomes something else entirely. It becomes an exploration of creativity, ambition, neediness, generosity, spirituality, and the joy that comes from making people laugh. Loaded with the kind of back-of-the-club stories that comics tell one another when no one else is

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watching, this fascinating, personal (and borderline-obsessive) book is Judd Apatow 's gift to comedy nerds everywhere. Praise for Sick in the Head “ I can ' t stop reading it. . . . I don ' t want this book to end. ” —Jimmy Fallon “ An essential for any comedy geek. ” —Entertainment Weekly “ Fascinating . . . a collection of interviews with many of the great figures of comedy in the latter half of the twentieth century. ” —The Washington Post “ Open this book anywhere, and you ' re bound to find some interesting nugget from someone who has had you in stitches many, many times. ” —Janet Maslin, The New York Times “ An amazing read, full of insights and connections both creative and interpersonal. ” —The New Yorker

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“ Fascinating and revelatory. ” —Chicago Tribune
“ Anyone even remotely interested in comedy or humanity should own this book. ” —Will Ferrell

Presents an anthology of humorous essays and writings on the topic of humor, including entries by such authors as Steve Martin, Michael Chabon, Philip Roth, David Sedaris, and Conan O'Brien.

Stephen Rosenfield, founder and director of the American Comedy Institute, the premier comedy school in the United States, has taught literally dozens of major standup comics in North America, and has also pioneered comedy as an academic discipline in many

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universities, a trend that is rapidly spreading. Mastering Stand-Up draws on Rosenfield's own extensive experience (and those of countless stars like Lenny Bruce, Richard Pryor, Chris Rock, Rodney Dangerfield, Louis C.K., Steve Martin, Roseanne, and Johnny Carson) to show the reader—and would-be comic—what works, what doesn't, and why. Forty sharply written chapters cover every conceivable angle of the joke and how to tell it. There are a number of books on comedy and how to do it, but none has the breadth and authority Rosenfield brings to his theme. It's not for nothing that the New York Times has described him as "probably the best-known comedy teacher in the country." Rosenfield's book is sure

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to become the classic text on its subject. And it should help thousands who long to make others laugh to realize their fondest hopes.

"Esquire editor and Entrepreneur etiquette columnist Ross McCammon delivers a funny and authoritative guide that provides the advice you really need to be confident and authentic at work, even when you have no idea what's going on. Ten years ago, before he got a job at Esquire magazine and way before he became the etiquette columnist at Entrepreneur magazine, Ross McCammon, editor at an in-flight magazine, was staring out a second-floor window at a parking lot in suburban Dallas wondering if it

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was five o'clock yet. Everything changed with one phone call from Esquire. Three weeks later, he was working in New York and wondering what the hell had just happened. This is McCammon's honest, funny, and entertaining journey from impostor to authority, a story that begins with periods of debilitating workplace anxiety but leads to rich insights and practical advice from a guy who "made it" but who still remembers what it's like to feel entirely ill-equipped for professional success. And for life in general, if we're being completely honest. McCammon points out the workplace for what it is: an often absurd landscape of ego and fear guided by social rules that no one ever talks about. He

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offers a mix of enlightening and often self-deprecating personal stories about his experience and clear, practical advice on getting the small things right--crucial skills that often go unacknowledged--from shaking a hand to conducting a business meeting in a bar to navigating a work party. Here is an inspirational new way of looking at your job, your career, and success itself; an accessible guide for those of us who are smart, talented, and ambitious but who aren't well-"leveraged" and don't quite feel prepared for success. or know what to do once we've made it. "--

The "hilarious and poignant" story of one chronically anxious

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woman's yearlong quest to seek out the adventures she's spent her life avoiding (Cheryl Strayed). For most of her life (and even during her years as the host of a popular radio show), Courtenay Hameister lived in a state of near-constant dread and anxiety. She fretted about everything. Her age. Her size. Her romantic prospects. How likely it was that she would get hit by a bus on the way home. Until a couple years ago, that is, when, in her mid-forties, she decided to fight back against her debilitating anxieties. She would spend a year doing all the things that scared her -- things that the average person might consider doing for a half second before deciding: "nope." Things like: attending a fellatio class. She did that. She also spent

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an afternoon in a sensory deprivation tank, got (legally) high in the middle of a workday, had a session with a professional cuddler, braved twenty-eight first dates, and (perhaps scariest of all) actually met someone who might possibly appreciate her for who she is. Refreshing, relatable, and pee-your-pants funny, *Okay Fine Whatever* is Courtenay's hold-nothing-back account of her adventures on the front lines of *Mere Human Woman vs. Fear*, reminding us that even the tiniest amount of bravery is still bravery, and that no matter who you are, it's possible to fight complacency and become bold, or at least bold-ish, a little at a time. "You guys, this book is f*cking funny." -- Chelsea Handler

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He has written and produced comedy/talk shows for over fifteen years. Now four-time Emmy winner Joe Toplyn reveals his proven methods of writing for late-night television in this one-of-a-kind insider's guide. Toplyn analyzes each type of comedy piece in the late-night TV playbook and takes you step-by-step through the process of writing it. His detailed tips, techniques, and rules include: * 6 characteristics every good monologue joke topic must have* 6 specific ways to generate punch lines* 12 tools for making your jokes their funniest* 7 types of desk pieces and how to create them* 9 steps to writing parodies and other sketches * How to go after a writing job in late

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night* PLUS a complete sample comedy/talk show submission packet Also use this comprehensive manual to write short-form comedy for the Internet, sketch shows, magazines, reality shows, radio, advertising, and any other medium.

The space between life and death is a moment. But it will remain alive in me for hundreds of thousands of future moments. One phone call. That's all it took to change Stephanie Wittels Wachs' life forever.. Her younger brother Harris, a star in the comedy world known for his work on shows like Parks and Recreation, had died of a heroin overdose. How do you make sense of such a tragic end to a life of so much hilarious

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brilliance? In beautiful, unsentimental, and surprisingly funny prose, Stephanie Wittels Wachs alternates between her brother's struggle with addiction, which she learned about three days before her wedding, and the first year after his death, in all its emotional devastation. This compelling portrait of a comedic genius and a profound exploration of the love between siblings is A Year of Magical Thinking for a new generation of readers. A heartbreaking but hopeful memoir of addiction, grief, and family, Everything is Horrible and Wonderful will make you laugh, cry, and wonder if that possum on the fence is really your brother's spirit animal.

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