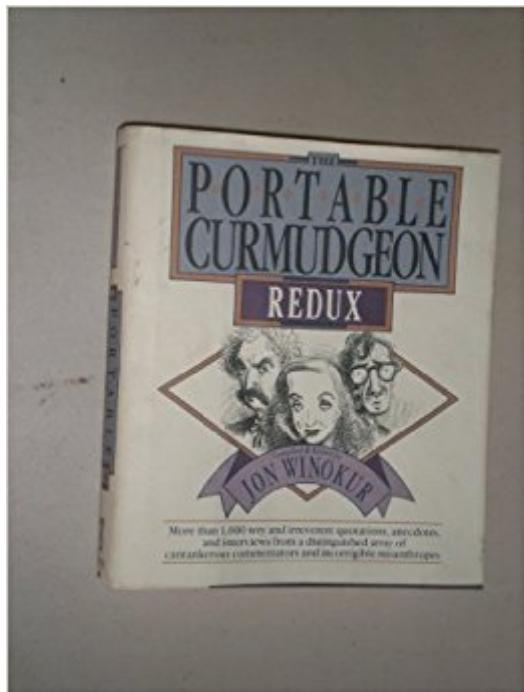


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The Portable Curmudgeon returns with a compilation of more than one thousand brand new crotchety, caustic comments uttered by the world's greatest grumps, from Oscar Wilde to Woody Allen. 100,000 first printing. \$75,000 ad/promo.

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Customer Reviews

What an awesome collection of the snarkiest bites from the sharpest tongues the world over. Twain, W.C. Fields, Churchill, Bierce, Mencken, and all the funniest, sharpest wits around. The overview of this book is: (at least to me) that these are people who have loved the world, have seen what it is, and are calling it out on its faults for what it isn't. And the choices are damned funny. I gave my old copy to my son when he went to graduate school, and bought another one in hardcover, just to have around. It's that good a compendium. Certainly, if you like the funniest, snarkiest bits of Mark Twain or Oscar Wilde, you will LOVE this. You might also check out Ambrose Bierce's The Devil's Dictionary.

Curmudgeons get a bad rep. A lot of the curmudgeons I know are actually very funny people, and that is the case with the curmudgeons in this book.. There is no forced sweetness and light here, but there are many laugh out loud moments. I mean, How can you go wrong With Groucho Marx, Dorothy Parker and W.C. Fields?

I've had this book for probably 20 years. My father periodically sends me emails that have

collections of snarky humorous comments in them, most of which I've already seen, so I sent him this book. It's loaded with fave like Ambrose Bierce, Evelyn Waugh, Samuel Clemens, Dorothy Parker, WC Fields, Churchill and the other clever barbed wits of the day. The book has been around for a while, so it's not going to have any classics from the past 20 years or so, but regardless it's a great read. Not t be indelicate or anything, but this is one of those books that's perfect reading for the bathroom, as it can literally be digested one sentence at a time. The down side is that occasionally a guest will use your bathroom and not come out for 20 minutes.

Being a curmudgeon myself, this book is like my bible. Whenever I'm looking for a sarcastic, witty, even insulting remark I scan my brain for anything I've seen in this book. My friends -- the few I have -- think I'm quick and clever and a whole lot smarter than I am. But that's O.K., they also think I'm negative, nasty and hostile. And that's O.K. too because I have to live up to my reputation. Being a curmudgeon doesn't come naturally to me. That's why I need this book. It's a terrific reference, It's not only full of the best in curmudgeonry but it's funny as hell too. I love this book.

Everything you wish you had said on every imaginable subject. Fed up with the world? Here's your book.

I love this pocket book. The quips and bon mots are everywhere. Sometimes I feel that if I were in a room with these people for an evening I'd have slices in my skin from the rapier wit. I tired of reading pieces of it over the phone to my daughter and sent her a copy for herself.

It's amusing but I wish someone had given it to me instead of me buying it. Aw well, not money wasted but not exactly well-spent either.

you will find yourself trying to remember every one of these witty wise and ascerbic aphorisms! Thus armed you will be prepared to thrust a verbal dagger into the hearts of the lame brained and dullards who leave us at the mercy of their sheer and preposterous inanity and ignorance stumbling for that perfect retort -that response that sums up everything you know to be true but just can't quite summon up the perfect response - WELL not anymore! - There's a quip and a retort in this tome that will make you a truly Enlightened Curmudgeon! -AND a dangerous target for fools.

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