



Ripped from the pages of his award-eligible “Funny: The Book / Everything You Always Wanted To Know About Comedy,” David Misch (“Mork and Mindy,” “The Muppets Take Manhattan,” “Saturday Night Live”) looks at laughter: what it is, where it comes from and what it means, including...

- Why most laughter doesn’t come from anything funny
- How monkey urine proves that chimpanzees have a sense of humor
- Laughter’s relationship to danger
- Exciting job opportunities in the field of rat-tickling (yes, there’s video)
- Why Artificial Intelligence fails at humor, and...
- How to achieve transcendence through fart jokes

With video clips ranging from Charlie Chaplin to Richard Pryor, “The Anthropology of Ha!” will reveal the cultural sources of your every chortle.

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