Synopsis

Hypochondriacs have long had to satisfy their needs for self-diagnosis with medical reference materials written for the masses, but this revolutionary book is dedicated entirely to the hypochondriac's unique perspective on health. With over 300 deadly diseases profiled, conveniently organized by symptom (real or imagined), even the mildest hypochondriac's fantasy life will be ignited. We're all going to die of something why not choose an ailment that's rare and hard to pronounce? Perfect for friends who complain a lot Includes fascinating spotlights on terrifying medical phenomena Hardcover; 8 x 10 inches; 192 pages; full-color throughout

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Customer Reviews

I had this book out when family was over and everyone was checking it out. Basically, you look up your symptom (headache, whatever) and the book tells you what terrible disease you're dying from. I don't understand the reviewer complaining about the medical advice -- um, hello, it's a HUMOR BOOK! And my two sisters are nurses and they thought everything was hilarious. It looks legit to me! (And I watch Grey's Anatomy and House, so I am clearly an expert.) Seriously, this book is probably used by the writers of those TV shows because just like on the show, the most innocent symptoms indicate the most horrible killer disease ever. Just don't give it to your hypochondriac elderly aunt or anything. Also beware: My kids use it as a way to get out of school..."Oh, my ribs hurt, I have costochondritis!"
Perfect book for anyone who's never satisfied with the common cold. I especially like the "You Eat, You Suffer" section on foodborne illnesses.

I have so many friends who are constantly sending me those crazy emails telling me what might kill me next and I'm going to give each and every one of them this book. I love the Knock Knock style and pace, the amount of irreverence combined with knowledge. I always feel smarter but somewhat humbled as well after I read a Knock Knock piece. Keep 'em coming.

This is a great conversation book. After reading it or friends thumbing through it ...it made for some interesting conversationist. A good quality book at a great price. My dog ate it eventually lol but I am reordering it as it is worth the second purchase

A very funny and educational book. I purchased this for my families "hypochondriac" and she got a kick out of it.Well written and contains a fair bit of info on a lot of conditions you never knew existed.

Wouldn't you know that the very first thing I read about, I actually have! Luckily, it's something that just *seems* as if it'll kill you, but won't actually do so. (I checked with the doctor a month before I bought this book.) I can't wait to find out what this tingling in my left arm and tightness in my jaw is!

Bought this to have out for Christmas as a conversation piece. I've already gotten a number of compliments out of it from random guests and the content is very entertaining! Just about everyone knows a hypochondriac!

great book as a gift to the hypochondriac in the family and/or circle of friends. should not be taken too seriously as it is clear the book is meant to make people laugh so if your hypochondriac mom or best friend is a little sensitive, then this may not be the book for her/him.but for anyone with a sense of humor...it is a fun read.

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