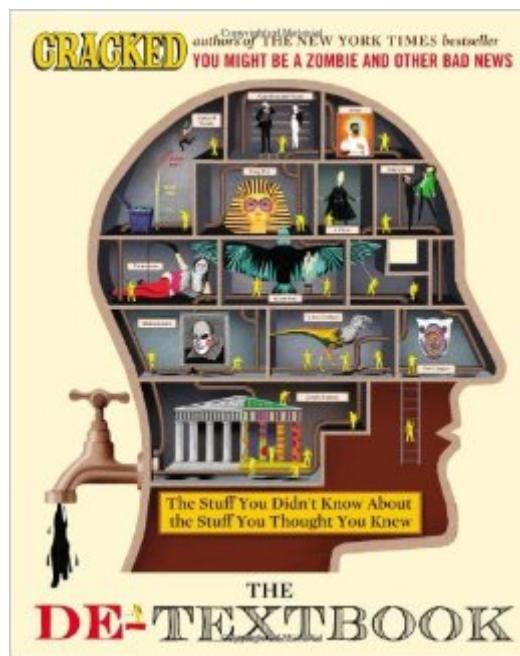


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# The De-Textbook: The Stuff You Didn't Know About The Stuff You Thought You Knew



## **Synopsis**

You are an idiot. Don't get defensive! It's not your fault. For decades your teachers, authority figures and textbooks have been lying to you. You do not have five senses. Your tongue doesn't have neatly segregated taste-bud zones. You don't know what the pyramids really looked like. You're even pooping wrong - Jesus, you're a wreck! But it's going to be okay. Because we're here to help. Packed with more sexy facts than the Encyclopedia Pornographica, the Cracked De-Textbook will teach you about the true stars of history, why you picture everything from Velociraptors to Ancient Rome incorrectly, and finally, at long last - how to pop a proper squat. This book was built from the ground up to systematically seek out, dismantle and destroy the many untruths that years of misguided education have left festering inside of you, and leave you a smarter person...whether you like it or not. The De-Textbook is a merciless, brutal learning machine. It can't be bargained with. It can't be reasoned with. It doesn't feel pity, or remorse, or fear. And it absolutely will not stop, ever, until you are informed.

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There are some books that are just perfect for your Kindle or iPad or whatever tablet you happen to be using. This is not that book. The De-Textbook is meant to be held in your hands and brushed against your rugged, manly beard (advice for men). It is meant to be softly caressed against your smooth, silky thighs and legs (advice for women.. and some men). When you hold this book in your hands, you'll feel the same things you felt when you made love for the first time: dizzy, confused, and unsure why you woke up in a zoo alone. And as if that's not enough, the book serves as a great

self-defense weapon. It's not big and heavy enough to knock out a potential home intruder, but it will stun him for a second. And if you're lucky and he picks it up after you've thrown it at him, it will keep him entertained for hours. That's just the outside of the book. The inside is equally as impressive. Yes, it does contain a bunch of text that already exists on Cracked.com (you didn't think you'd be getting 100% brand new material while the editorial staff still has to program the most visited comedy website on a daily basis, did you?!). But it's much, much more than that. The textbook-style way that the book is organized is genius. You'll not only laugh and learn, you'll have nostalgic memories of all the time you spent in detention and in the janitor's windowless van. Also, all of the images and illustrations - and there are A LOT of them - are completely original. This book represents a chance for you to take a little bit of David Wong, Jack O'Brien, Dan O'Brien and all the others everywhere that you go. All that for just about \$13. To quote Eddie Murphy in the early 80's doing an impression of a guy who owns a Chinese restaurant: what a bargain.

Cracked.com is probably one of the best humor websites out there, and not just because it's funny. It also seeks to educate ("It's funny because it's true!"), and the amount of interesting and counter-intuitive information the website has gathered is staggering. It's even more staggering when you consider that a whole lot of it contradicts things we've been taught for years both in school and via the ol' "heard it somewhere" method of education. Much like Cracked's previous book, *You Might Be a Zombie and Other Bad News: Shocking but Utterly True Facts*, this is mostly just a compendium of stuff website devotees have already read online, with the material organized according to subject matter. I don't have a problem with the rehashed information, though. It's nice to have it cataloged and so easily accessible, and it's totally understandable to want to make a little coin off of the hard work they've been handing out for free. With the goal of disabusing readers of "facts" that the school's (and general life experience) tend to get wrong, the book is a treasure trove of interesting material presented with a casual, usually hilarious flair (and not without its small share of colorful language). It's a great book, and you should get it. The actual book, I mean. Avoid the Kindle version, for which I give a grouchy two stars. *YOU MIGHT BE A ZOMBIE* was modified like most books for Kindle, making it easy to read, resize the text, and even search for terms or highlight portions of the book.

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