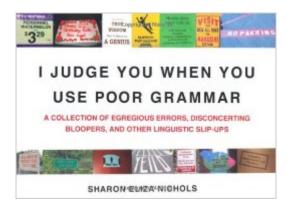
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I Judge You When You Use Poor Grammar: A Collection Of Egregious Errors, Disconcerting Bloopers, And Other Linguistic Slip-Ups





Synopsis

Correct grammar and proper spelling can be a challenge, and their absence can be a source of gleeful humor to everyone but the victim of a bad grammar attack. How do you react to sandwich boards, road signs, laminated instructions, and other written missives that are just not exactly what their creator meant? If you've ever (gently) judged anyone else for their linguistic failures, if you find yourself guffawing about the frequent confusion between "incontinence" and "inconvenience," if you've ever been tempted to whip out your marker to add in or cross out apostrophes, and if you've refused to answer e-mails in which "your" and "you're" are used interchangeably, this book is for you. With pictures culled from the Facebook group by the same name, I Judge You When You Use Poor Grammar is a hilarious and eye-opening tour through restaurants and shops, through parking lots and along winding roads, and around the world.

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When mistakes due to spelling, wording, or placement create an amusing or bizarre effect, you get a book like Fail Nation or Caution: Funny Signs Ahead. When mistakes are simply incorrect, you get this book. I am a Grammar Nazi, so I sympathize with the frustration of poor English use growing increasingly abundant in today's society. However, this book makes me feel bad for being a Grammar Nazi. When flipping through this book, I get the impression of a disgruntled, condescending teacher publishing students' homework mistakes, which makes me feel stupid via proxy. None of the images in this collection are funny or even particularly noteworthy (PROTIP: a picture should be able to stand on its own merits, and a caption should only add icing to the cake).

When the pictures of hilarious gaffes were handed out, Nichols must have showed up late and had to scrape the bottom of the barrel. Is it really worth paying for a compilation of misplaced apostrophes and other uninteresting typos?Belittling others purely for being wrong does not a funny book make. I would feel amused if a mistake I made was funny and was included in one of these books, but none of these could be considered amusing in the slightest. If the idea was to teach by example a la Eats, Shoots & Leaves, the cavalier attitude is completely unnecessary. Making fun of others is best done with a light-hearted--not ham-fisted--touch, in a way that doesn't make the editor look like a mean-spirited, holier-than-thou literary bully. However, the selection is such that I'm not sure even an attitude adjustment would be much of an improvement. Overall, I don't think it was worth even flipping through in the bookstore, much less buying.

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