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finger across the kindle as it were). I would recommend this book to anyone who is interested in understanding the Jews in their life or their own Jewish identity in the world. The book thoughtfully gives voice to the diversity of the present Jewish diaspora while celebrating the vitality, significance, and spiritual value of tradition, scholarship, and history. It's just a great book, fun, provocative, and inspiring with stories, examples, and engaging ways of structuring the text with boxes and special highlighted "Did Jew Knowisms..." that create for a lively, interactive, and innovative reading experience. 20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. Irreverent and Handy Guide By wfs22 My "like" rating (four stars out of five stars): chatty, sometimes funny approach to Jewish clichés. A wonderful overview for someone totally unfamiliar with the culture. I rated only four stars because of the glibness ... lack of respect? ... I occasionally found off putting. Note: I am not Jewish and have no personal or cultural ties to the religion. I simply felt uncomfortable at times. However, I learned things and enjoyed the book as a whole. 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. Masterly By Helen M Cunningham Did Jew Know is a find! The author accomplishes a rare feat. She combines a wealth of knowledge with a ribald sense of humor in a text that is beautifully written and endlessly entertaining. The book's design includes clever graphics and hilarious headings in a flexible format that lets you read from cover to cover or open to any page for an enjoyable bite. You'll learn a lot about the Jews and you'll laugh every step of the way. I love this book!

This handy primer on all things Jewish is filled with funny, surprising and informative facts about Jewish life, culture, and religious practice—all presented in an entertaining and witty voice and accompanied by bold illustrations that pack a graphic punch. Jews, lapsed Jews, and their spouses and friends will surely learn a thing or ten while devouring this addictively readable mix of practical information, fun facts and figures, and amusing trivia. Including information on key figures from Saul to Seinfeld, a lesson in proper Jew-fro care, and a basic guide to all those second-tier holidays no one ever celebrates, this engaging compendium is perfect for gifting or for simply learning more while being thoroughly entertained.

About the Author Emily Stone is a writer and yoga teacher living in Brooklyn, New York.