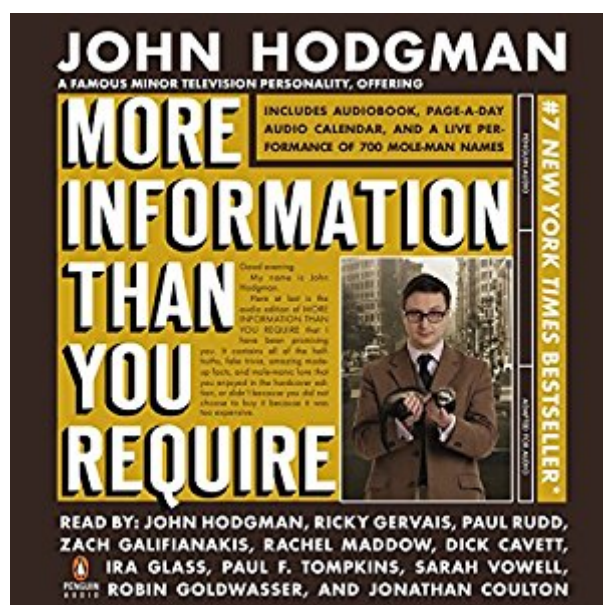


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Synopsis

The New York Times bestseller by Famous Minor Television Personality John Hodgman?The Daily Show?s ?Resident Expert? and the ?PC? in the iconic Apple ads?picks up exactly where his first book left off. In fact, ?the new volume is in every way a continuation of Areas of My Expertise, except in the ways it?s clearly superior.?(The Onion AV Club) In 2005, John Hodgman published his first compendium of Complete World Knowledge, The Areas of My Expertise, a handy volume of fake trivia and made-up facts. Hodgmania was born. Virtually overnight, John Hodgman was whisked from tweedy obscurity to the high ether of minor celebrity. And from his strange new vantage point as a Famous Minor Television Personality, Hodgman realized that there is some world knowledge yet to be documented. And so he returned to exactly where he had left off?namely, page 256 of the paperback edition of The Areas of My Expertise. And he brought with him: MORE INFORMATION THAN YOU REQUIRE Which, naturally, begins on page 257. Like its predecessor, More Information than You Require consists of brief articles, overlong lists, frighteningly complex charts, and beguiling narratives on new and familiar themes such as: THE PAST (because there is always more of it) THE FUTURE (because they say there is still some left) MOLE-MEN (including a list of 700 Mole-man names) GAMBLING, THE SPORT OF THE ATHSMATIC MAN (including hermit crab racing) CRYPTOGEOGRAPHY (including Canada) HOW TO BE A FAMOUS MINOR TELEVISION PERSONALITY (Hint: Go on television) AND NOW, the relatively pocket-sized and inexpensive paperback edition includes even more MORE INFORMATION THAN YOU REQUIRE, updated to include the very latest in implausibility. PLUS!: This paperback edition includes a special self-expanding fold-out edition of THE TAXONOMY OF COMPLETE WORLD KNOWLEDGE, which you have probably never seen before because it has been carefully hidden. UNTIL NOW. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Let me make a prediction. As a writer, John Hodgman will be to poetry what Stephen King is to modern historical thought. Is that farcical? You bet. Okay, John Hodgman isn't a poet, and Stephen King while an unsurpassed author of horror fiction, isn't an author of history. One fact that isn't a farce, however, John Hodgman is simply brilliant as a writer of faux facts. From a humor point of view, I can't remember a book that I've enjoyed more than *More Information than You Require*. Coming on the heels of Hodgman's unique *The Areas of My Expertise*, *More Information than You Require* is in everyway a continuation of the earlier book; even continuing the numbering of the pages. By the way, *More Information* will stand on its own as a read, but for the uninformed reader the paging may throw them off. Where as *Area's of My Expertise* dealt with hobos and hobo names, *More Information* deals with mole men and mole men names and claims that even the iconic Thomas Jefferson had dealings with them. Brilliant! Other notable points that stand out: Today in History sections. What's the funniest bit? Racing hermit crabs! I'd like to think of something to compare *The Areas of My Expertise* and *More Information than You Require* to, but there simply isn't anything; like the cheese, they stand alone. The English language is very precise. Terms like "genius" and "stunning" have very specific meanings. One of our communication problems today is that we're skewing the language with new uses/meanings for specific terms. Hodgman's *More Information than You Require* is stunningly funny. It will entertain you for months or years to come. Is the book written by a genius? Only time will tell.

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