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**A hilarious examination of faux pas for readers of Allie Brosh's *Hyperbole and a Half* and Jenny Lawson's *Let's Pretend This Never Happened***

Humankind is doomed. Especially you.

It's already too late. From overstaying your welcome at a party, to leaving passive-aggressive post-its on your roommate's belongings, to letting your date know the extent of the internet reconnaissance you did on them--you're destined to embarrass yourself again and again. In *You Blew It!*, Josh Gondelman, comedian and co-creator of the "Modern Seinfeld" twitter account, teams up with Joe Berkowitz, an equally wry and ruthless social-observer, to dissect a range of painfully hilarious faux pas. Breaking down the code violations of modern culture--particularly our fervent, ridiculous addiction to technology--Gondelman and Berkowitz will keep you laughing as they explore how social blunders are simply part of the mystery that is you.

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# **From Reader Review You Blew It!: An Awkward Look at the Many Ways in Which You've Already Ruined Your Life for online ebook**

**Jessica King says**

There are 3 books in my house at all time. One upstairs - usually the one I'm most into for bedtime reading. One downstairs - for waiting on stuff. Son getting ready to go to the grocery store with me - 30 minutes (oh yeah, boys are just as bad as girls) to read. AND Finally, one in the bathroom. I don't think I need to define this book and its purpose. You Blew It! is a great bathroom read.

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**Shà says**

good read & its kind of comical too

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**Katie Klabusich says**

I can't remember the last time I read a book and wanted to buy it for absolutely everyone I know. It was 200 pages of laughs, stress relief, feeling less alone, and healing through comedy. This book is literally for everyone and covers all the topics that frustrate, challenge, and infuriate us. Go get it right now and read it before the holidays so you know why you're buying it for everyone on your shopping list.

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**Cara says**

**So glad I did!**

Thumbs up, a good read. Awkwardness is something we ALL face daily (at some point, don't lie to yourself.. you do). But, its nice to see that many of the situations- we aren't alone in. So, if you could use a good belly laugh, take some time and read this book.

As a side note: Glad I know how to handle a rejected fist bump...

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**Nate Dern says**

Josh Gondelman is a Twitter comedy God and now we get to enjoy him in book form too. We are #blessed.

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**George Ilsley says**

Opened this at random and found something amusing. Later, tried to read the book and could not find the point. Unable to read more than half a page here and there. Sorry. My life is already ruined. Don't need this book to complete the process.

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### **VampAmber says**

I was given an ARC of this book through First To Read in exchange for an honest review.

This was a pretty funny book, and I definitely enjoyed reading it. I loved the author(s) writing style, and giggled quite a few times. The only real problem that I had was that it wasn't very original. Just about everything talked about or mentioned has already been in thousands of stand up comedy routines and webcomic punchlines and probably more than a few other books at this point, as well. While yes, it was really funny at times, and really interesting, and written in a unique writing style that I loved, I just couldn't get myself really hyped up about jokes that I've already heard countless times. Definitely worth the read, in my opinion, but there wasn't too much (other than the awesome writing style, which I've already mentioned) that made it stand out from every other place that has made these same jokes. I'm really sorry, but I have to give it 3.5 stars. I need more originality in my books, no matter how good they are.

But seriously, don't let my complaints stop you from reading it yourself, if you like humor books. It was worth the read, just not worth the stars.

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### **Jacob says**

A few funny jokes, but overall this book seems like a blog post idea that went on for too long. Very little true insight, and many of the jokes fall flat. Josh Gondelman is best known for his work on the Modern Seinfeld twitter account, but sadly his comedic talents didn't shine through in this book for me.

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### **Bent Hansen says**

I am not sure who is the intended audience of this book, but I suspect it to be guys in their mid-30s to late 40s, which makes me smack in the middle of it. Well, I was well entertained by this book about social blunders related to family life, love life, work life, traveling, eating, tipping... well, basically in all aspects of life. Just like "Seinfeld", and that is pretty darn funny, as is this book in an understated and seemingly disorganized kind of way. Is it a memorable book that I will look back at years from now? Not likely. I guess I will not even remember reading it four months from now when at New Years I look back at the books I read this year. But I did laugh out loud several times when reading it on my commuter train this past week - and that does not happen very often (which, I guess, is just as well, considering the strange looks my fellow commuters sent me).

I received this book as an advance readers copy through the First to Read program.

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## **Steven says**

Hmm... It's got it funny moments, all along the humor scale, which is great! However, something seemed missing. Not sure what that was. If you're looking for a funny book by unknown people, this is a good place to start!

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## **Dan says**

There is nothing new in this book, it was a repetition of various commentary on the millennial generation that has already been done to death in a million places online. Only occasionally humorous (doesn't even reach "funny") and not worth my time. I stopped about a third of the way through.

Purged from the GR physical library for sheer awful-ness.

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## **Drew Schnoebelen says**

No surprise that A book written by the hilarious Josh Gondelman is also hilarious. This is literally a how-to guide for the socially awkward and its perfect.

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## **Cia says**

Really funny!

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## **Matt says**

Essentially a mash-up of loosely related life situations. It comes across as stand-up comedy which only occasionally has you laughing out loud. Too disjointed and not all that funny.

It did offer this insightful gem though:

"In the present, everyone has a very strong opinion about everything, but everyone resents every other person's opinion."

Hello, Facebook!

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## **Gina says**

I can't even begin to make you understand how hard I laughed at this book. My eyes were burning from my mascara streaming down my face. I loved this. I have to add some of my favorite moments to this review. I

don't think they're \*spoilers\* because can you really "spoil" this kind of book?

"...most of your friends' friends are assholes. In fact, most of your friends are probably assholes too; it's just that you've learned to love them. Statistically, you're probably an asshole."

"Every departure presents the same pitfalls as a greeting, plus a few more opportunities to show that you barely know how to be a person."

"Even if you've managed to make it through the party without making a spectacle of yourself, there's still plenty of time to snatch defeat from the jaws of victory."

"We have so many avenues for getting in touch these days, it's impossible to be sure you're not accidentally pinging NFL player D'Brickshaw Ferguson right now."

"A Craigslist job posting could provide a completely legitimate employment opportunity. Or it could present a chance for you to get rolled up in a carpet and thrown into the ocean."

"E-mailing on a Monday: "I'm going to be sick on Friday.". Clearly, you're either fabricating an illness or shot-calling a Thirsty Thursday related hangover, Babe Ruth style."

"In reality you never get to quit your job the way you've imagined. The reasons are diverse: you lose your nerve, or you don't have access to enough bees to really shake shit up..."

"There's the guy requesting the same song during every applause break, as though ordering an off-season McRib at a standing-room-only McDonald's."---(On Concerts)

"Changing your oil is a very basic task, or so we've heard. We've never tried it. We always avert our eyes and hand our mechanic a small amount of cash to pour goop into one of our car's mysterious car-holes."

And lastly, the entire section titled "No thanks, I'll take my chances jumping out the window." about being in an elevator with coworkers, was so funny I almost died several times while reading it. So please, I implore you, go read this book immediately. You will not be disappointed.

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