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As Americans, we hold these truths to be self-evident: We will shop. And when we do, especially at our favorite supercenter, we will wear and do the most bizarre things possible.

From the wildly popular website PeopleofWalmart.com, this photo collection of Americans in their natural shopping habitat (70 percent of which is brand new and never before included on the website) presents people of all shapes and sizes wearing and doing everything imaginable in full view of their fellow shopping public.

Plus, for the first time brand-new fan-submitted stories offer the most random experiences you can imagine! So welcome to a world where no shoes and no shirt are no obstacles, where parking lots are filled with dead deer, Bengal tigers, and old men in thongs riding bikes. Once you meet the People of Walmart, you are sure to fall in love.

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Teddie says

This book is so wrong, but the photos (most) are funny. However the captions are really awful and not funny in the least. I would not recommend buying this book.

Cathleen says

No words for so much of this book!!

Natasha says

I actually get a kick out of these books. They're pretty entertaining. The price is a bit steep, but it's still enjoyable and fun to show friends when you have company over. I can't think of anyone who wouldn't get a kick out of this book. If just only just to realize that Walmart has all kinds. *laughs*

Shannon says

This wasn't as good as I thought it would be. I couldn't stand the captions. It just wasn't at all funny and the humor fell flat for me. The stories were a little bland and the people came off as haughty and arrogant. I don't want to rant, so all I'll say is that I wanted to stab the BBW girl because she was annoying as hell. The pictures themselves were hilarious and I would have enjoyed the book more if the commentary wasn't there. At first, I felt bad for laughing, but then I realized that there are some people that are just asking for it. If you are overweight or a little on the heavier side, for god's sake, please wear clothes that are actually flattering to your body type!! Oh my god, I swear that if I see one more picture of a large woman with back fat flapping out her halter, I will stab myself in the eyes. Seriously, how can someone go out in public like that and think they're looking sexy?

Crystal says

Well, I just wasted about 30 minutes of my life reading this book. Why? I don't know. Thankfully, I didn't spend money on it. Don't bother. It's just people bashing and causes brain cells to commit suicide.

Michael Hermann says

If you love peopleofwalmart.com you will love this book. Had a hard time not laughing out loud at several of

the pictures and the captions. All I can say is that if you have ever shopped at Wal-Mart, you have probably seen someone who looks fairly close to the people shown in the book. It is well worth spending a little time going through this book.

Amber says

People of Walmart is hilarious! I have seen my share of crazy sights at Walmart. The pictures are literally laugh-out-loud funny. This is the perfect stocking stuffer or birthday gag gift. I didn't realize there was a back boobs epidemic in this country.

I have never felt better about myself than I have after reading this book. It is hilarious.

The most amusing thing is that all the people thought they looked at least somewhat presentable.

Taxandria says

This book is not much of a book, really. The pages consist of mainly photos with boring captions that aren't funny, usually pointing out the horror of people being overweight or daring to wear short shorts and bright clothing. There are a few stand out photos of folks that are a bit over the top, but many of the photos are kind of boring and just show a spectrum of real life people. So what there are a couple of people who wear shirts with rips in the back? That's a fashion thing. Another few photos of goth people. That's news? Some people wearing tie dye. Also not interesting. It's almost as if we are trying to make fun of average people for not living up to their obligation of being eternally 18 year old lingerie models.

Sure, there are some folks who really just seem to tip the scales in favor of mentally unstable (those who go to the store with no pants for example. And I mean no pants at all.) Most of the photos were of overweight people and their various bodily protrusions and unfortunate selection in clothing sizes (always on the side of "too small".) But I'm not completely sure what's FUNNY about them. I feel kind of sorry for some of the people, like the man who was obviously homeless and pretty filthy (the authors referred to him as "PigPen" from Charlie Brown.) Sure he's dirty, but is being dirty FUNNY? Not to me.

Another item that the authors seem to like is the mullet. Several photos are of people with mullets and sometimes with rat tails. Again, not funny. It's a mullet, so what? I don't get the funny there.

I don't think the authors have a really good ability to sort and choose photos that are actually funny. They seem to go for very low brow stuff, anything sexual or vulgar is their cup of tea. They highlight gross sayings on people's T-shirts a lot but again -- not funny.

Some folks were shopping while wearing pajamas or costumes and face paint. Weird a bit, but not funny.

Maybe I was expecting this book to be humorous and entertaining, but it was quite boring. Even the anecdotes sparsely interspersed between the photos were a real let down. A couple of the stories didn't have any entertainment value at all and I wondered why they were included. It felt like the authors had a very small pool of letters from which to choose and just sort of accepted anything.

I thought the book was supposed to be funny and mostly I found it just kind of sad and boring.

Heidi The Hippie Reader says

Didn't enjoy this. I felt embarrassed for everybody rather than amused.

Ali Lafferty says

I lost all hope for humanity, and not because of the people wearing these things in the photos featured (at this point I shouldn't have to explain what People Of Walmart is, right?) but because these people WERE photographed and ridiculed. Who the hell thinks it's appropriate to make these kind of bigoted remarks about people, real people? I don't know. Obviously the people photographed weren't exactly charmers (therein, apparently, lies the joke) but they're still human beings and we can't laugh at their expense in this way. All right. Rant over. I read this piece of crap on the way home for laughs (because in 2009 when I found the blog I would have laughed) but instead felt hugely uncomfortable. Yay.

Bianca Woods says

Like the website, PoW constantly shifts back and forth between making fun of images that are hilarious (guy shopping while dressed in a full set of Halo "Master Chief" armour) and ones that are just a bit mean (people who may be homeless or are morbidly obese).

It's usually more amusing than cruel, but it's hard to put down the book and not feel a bit irritated by some of the cheap shots it occasionally makes against people who aren't always fair targets.

I'm happy to report that the book *does* feature a pic of that older gentleman who's on the website all the time dressed in what can only be called "Pimp-Fab" outfits. Hooray!

Heather says

Another book based on the website. The unbelievable thing is all these people left their house that day thinking, "I look good." And what is it about WalMart and goats? I was thinking there are some things inappropriate for teens, but then I realized they probably see these things in real life when they visit WalMart.

ChapterOne says

Like watching Jerry Springer.

Suzie says

Not great. The captions aren't interesting or useful. The best People of Walmart pictures are of people who are outrageous in their dress or hairstyle. I also enjoy pictures of or stories about something interesting that actually happened at a Walmart. The majority of the pictures in the book feature people in unflattering clothes that don't fit well. That is not very interesting. I can't recommend that you spend money on this.

Mayda says

First, there ought to be a foundation to fund the purchase of full length three panel mirrors, and these mirrors should be installed at every Wal-Mart entrance. Second, the fashion police should be allowed to do on-the-spot makeovers. Rephrase: not allowed, but *required*. The contents of this book vacillates from being hilarious, to unbelievable, to just plain sad and back again. A highly entertaining book, one can only hope that Robert Burns' wish comes true, and that we become able to really see ourselves *before* others see us.
