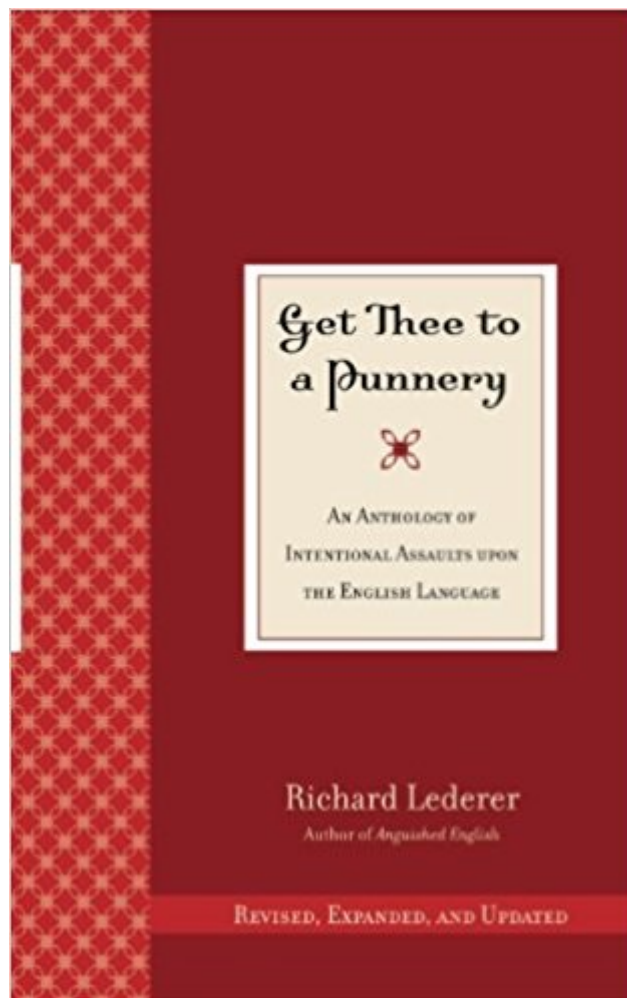




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Get Thee To A Punnery: An Anthology Of Intentional Assaults Upon The English Language



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The Pun Is Mightier Than The Sword...Richard Lederer has great puns. And you don't have to take vows to enjoy them. Just Get Thee To A Punnery and laugh yourself into a state of grace. Sinners will be punished with such gems as:-Old Milkmaids never die -- they just kick the bucket.-Drunk drivers are people who put the quart before the hearse. Whether you like 'em hot or cool, straight-up or low-down, here are puns of every color, stripe and persuasion to suit your every whim. Even if you don't know that your humerus is your funny bone, this is the book for you. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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I read this guy's other book, Anguished English, and had a lot of fun with it. It was a collection of situations where bad English was used in hilarious ways. I thought that Get Thee To A Punnery

would be more of the same, except with puns. Instead I got a book full of blank spots where you guess the best word to make the sentence a pun. It might be fun for some people, but I really just kind of wanted a joke book of sorts for myself. There are some good puns in there actually listed, and it appears to be a good way to make yourself more aware of how to have fun with the language. But if you're already good at making people groan, then you probably won't need it for this purpose.

A wonderful book for every logophile, full of information on the different types of puns, followed by 'exercises' to test your brain. Fun, fun book. I'll be keeping this one open, working on it between other reads. (works great on Kindle - I just write my answers in a notebook and I'll check them when I'm finished.

Sorry, but I couldn't resist that title. Richard Lederer's *Get Thee to a Pun: An Anthology of Intentional Assaults Upon the English Language* is neither a footnote-heavy treatise on literary puns through the ages (although he quotes a few from Shakespeare). Neither is it a collection of groan-inducing puns (although it has a few of those as well). Instead, Lederer takes a middle ground of sorts and breaks puns down into a number of categories. Strange, but I had never thought of puns as being anything but a low form of humor before. It's like finding out your crazy old uncle who was forever trying to get you to "pull my finger" had once been the Royal Court Jester. I could have probably done without some of the exercises in the book which seemed like unnecessary padding. But that's just my preference. The rest of the book made for an enjoyable and fairly quick read.

This book is padded with tests and quizzes. It took less than 1 hour to go through without doing the tests. When I 'looked inside' all I saw was a presentation of the topic and none of the tests. If you want to be tested \$0.99 isn't a bad price but I was expecting a more detailed book on puns.

I read this book years ago and nearly broke my ribs laughing. However, when I purchased it as a Kindle book, I found it extremely difficult to work out the "quizzes" when it came to matching the word with the punny meaning. Unfortunately, a Kindle doesn't let you switch back and forth between pages easily. I got so frustrated, I gave up on it. On this one, get the book, not the kindle edition.

Used book was a little more worn on the cover than I expected. There were black streaks on the

cover.

If you are a "language person" you'll enjoy most of Lederer's work. A fast, fun read.

This book was not nearly as good as Anguished English. For people who get a kick out of puns, it's great, but otherwise, don't bother. It is mostly a list of "complete the pun." If you don't like that kind of thing, it is a waste of money. If you do, it is gold. I don't so I don't rate it very high.

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