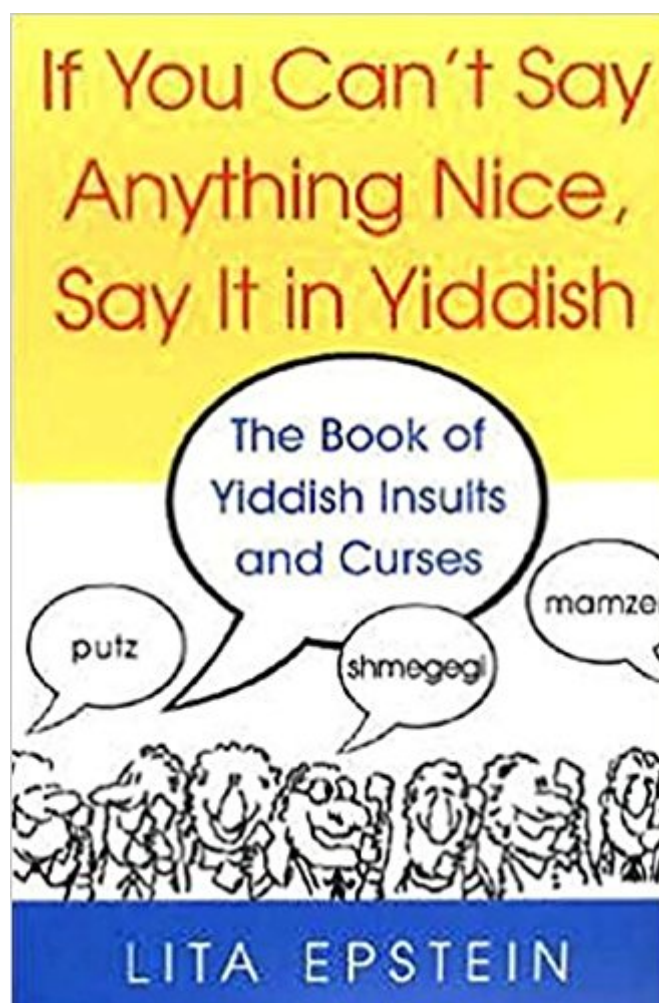


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If You Can't Say Anything Nice, Say It In Yiddish



Synopsis

You don't have to be Jewish to get back at the shmendriks of the worldYiddish. It's the most colorful language in the history of mankind. What other language gives you a whole dictionary of ways to tell someone to drop dead? Thatshmuck who got promoted over you? Meigulgl zol er vern in a henglaykhter, by tog zol er hengen, un by nakht zol er brenen. (He should be transformed into a chandelier, to hang by day and to burn by night.) That soccer momkibitzing on her cell phone and tying up traffic?Shteyner zol zi hobn, nit keyn kinder. (She should have stones and not children.) If You Can't Say Anything Nice, Say It in Yiddishis the perfect glossary of Yiddish insults and curses, from the short and sweet((Tu mir nit keyn toives:Don't do me any favors) to the wholemegillah (Khasene hobn zol er mit di malekh hamoves tokhter: He should marry the daughter of the Angel of Death.) Complete with hundreds of the most creative insults for the putzes and kvetchers of the world, this is an indispensable guide for Jews and Gentiles alike. When it comes to cursing someone who sorely needs it, may you never be at a loss for words again. Lita Epstein grew up around Yiddish. While her mother and aunts usually used Yiddish to discuss something they didn't want the kids to know, its meaning gradually seeped through. This is her thirteenth book. She cannot promise it will be her last.

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An interesting and funny view of the history and common usage of Yiddish. I loved it so much I bought two more copies for friends.

You don't even have to be a "scholar" of Yiddish. The "curses" are so funny for anyone to read. Since I am somewhat familiar with the Yiddish culture, to me it was pure fun to read it. I keep the book by my bed and read few passages almost every night. Thanks for a great little book.

This book is hilarious! I sat and laughed out loud all by myself. If you have any knowledge of Yiddish, you will split your sides laughing. I recall many of these so-called "curses" being used by my late mama. There isn't any actual profanity in the book - it is all in true interpretation. ENJOY!!!

We get a lot of laughs with this book sitting on the coffee table :)

Having grown up listening to my grandparents speaking Yiddish, this is a great book to have on hand. I miss hearing their stories of the 'old country' intermingled with Yiddish comments.

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