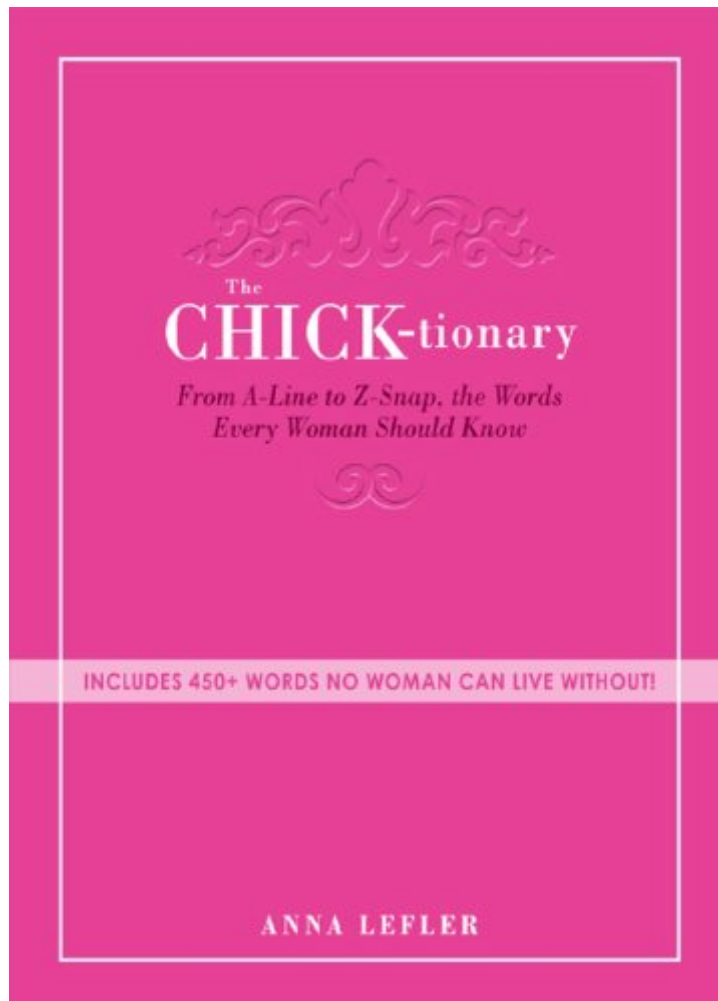


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# The Chicktionary: From A-line To Z-snap, The Words Every Woman Should Know



## Synopsis

You're all over the definitions of "low lights," "ruching," and a "tankini." But can you spot a "Mrs. Potato Head" when you see one? That's where The Chicktionary comes in. With the help of Anna Lefler and her collection of 450+ must-know words and phrases, you'll be in the know when faced with terms like Aberzombie, Bandeau, George Glass, and Puma. So whether you are dealing with a Residual Girlfriend, diagnose yourself with a bad case of Basset Knees, or need to go on a Briet, you'll be prepared for all that comes your way. At the very least, this book will serve as a delightful reminder that everyone has a skeleton in her closet--right next to her fat pants.

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## Customer Reviews

As a fan of Anna Lefler's blog, I couldn't wait to read her book. The Chicktionary is as hilarious as it is informative. Now I can distinguish between my "Bestie" my "BFF" My "Biffle" and the dreaded "Your New Best Friend."A perfect gift for any woman, for your bedside table, and maybe not for your newly bat-mitzvah'd niece (see "Aberzombie")Bring this book with you on the plane only if you have your own row (unless your seatmates don't mind Diet Coke erupting from your nose onto their

tray).--Ann Imig

The Chicktionary: From A-line to Z-snap, the words every woman should know! I am a fan of Anna Lefler's blog so I couldn't wait to read her book. The Chicktionary is as hilarious as it is informative. I do think this book should have come with a warning label though because at some point it is inevitable that you will be reading "The Chicktionary" and possibly drinking something. At that point there IS going to be Diet Coke or something similar erupting from your mouth and nose and the really great part is you will be laughing so hard you won't mind a bit. I can't speak for the people around you though. This happened to me when I was in the "B" section at BANGS! This is a true MUST READ for everyone who likes to laugh and learn! Patricia Rodolff

I will confess that I am a longtime Anna Lefler fan. I find her writing hilarious and my day is brightened whenever I see a new post from Life Just Keeps Getting Weirder listed in my blog reader. If you haven't read any of her writing before, you should not only buy this book, but search for her piece on the proper way to put on a sports bra. Like all of her writing, it's funny because it's true. I just finished reading The Chicktionary, and it is \*great\*. Anna is intelligent and also relatable, and her writing reflects that. She's like the girlfriend you love to hang out with and also secretly envy the teensiest bit because she thought of that hilarious thing first (and by "first" I mean "I never would've thought of it even though I'd like to think I could've"). I literally "LOLed" several times while reading The Chicktionary. No, really, literally - honest! I also learned, to my great chagrin, that my 4 snap version of the Z-Snap is wrong. Oh no I di-in't! So, the book is as educational as it is entertaining. Well done, Anna - I now know exactly what I'm getting all my biffles for the holidays this year: this book!

I have several copies of this book and, as the big holiday shopping season approaches, I'm going to be stocking up on a lot more. Every woman on my list will be getting this book, and some of the guys. It is HILARIOUS. One of the reasons that it's so funny is because there's a lot of truth in it. Anna Lefler looks at life without blinders and without blinking (I think they call it 'observational humor') but she doesn't leave out painful primary source material gathered first hand. And pain is funny. The format is ideal for the busy digital lives most of us lead. Many of the entries take up only a third of a page. Here's an excerpt from the entry 'jeans': "...Many's the woman who has casually strolled into the denim department without proper mental and physical preparation only to emerge two hours later, red-eyed, disoriented, and clutching a bag containing a pair of jeans that "seemed"

to "work"...Buy it. You won't regret it. It's actually EDUCATIONAL ("beta baby", "hatred and retribution", "fake bake" etc.) and anyway, laughter is the new black.

As a little experiment, I opened the book to random pages to see if I'd laugh out loud and indeed, there are laughs on every page. And under the delightful humor is Anna's keen intelligence and insightful observations of modern culture. I have no idea how she was able to create such consistently witty definitions from A to Z but she does it beautifully. It's a fun book to own and a great gift to share with friends of either gender. Totally recommended!!

My God - so much I have to learn!! I've been reading the wrong dictionary all my life. For instance, I always thought a "chicken cutlet" was for dinner. Turns out, it's a bra you glue on! Did you know that? I had no idea. Seriously, in "The Chicktionary," Anna Lefler has done an excellent job of shedding light on such double meanings, as well as providing helpful insights. For example, when a woman says (jokingly), "I hate you" (because you're skinnier than her), she really DOES mean it on some level. You see? That's good to know. Helps you keep your list of "frenemies" straight (look it up under F). You should keep this reference handy for those tricky moments in polite conversation when someone mentions their "topiary", and YOU think they're talking about the shrubbery in their yard. Not so much. (Although, if it's a wealthy person from the Hamptons, they could be referring to either sort of trimmed showpiece.) Save yourself that embarrassment. Pick up Lefler's handy dandy reference guide today!

If you don't laugh while reading this book you are lame. I had the pleasure of meeting Anna at Vicki Ablelson's Women Who Write reading and immediately loved her! I knew I would enjoy her book after listening to her and following her blog, Life Just Keeps Getting Weirder. CHICK-tionary will have you nodding, snickering and of course laughing out loud! The fun facts are brilliant too! I have purchased this book for friends going through a divorce, hostess gifts, birthday gifts and for friends who need more imagination in their life. Thanks Anna and I look forward to your next one!

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