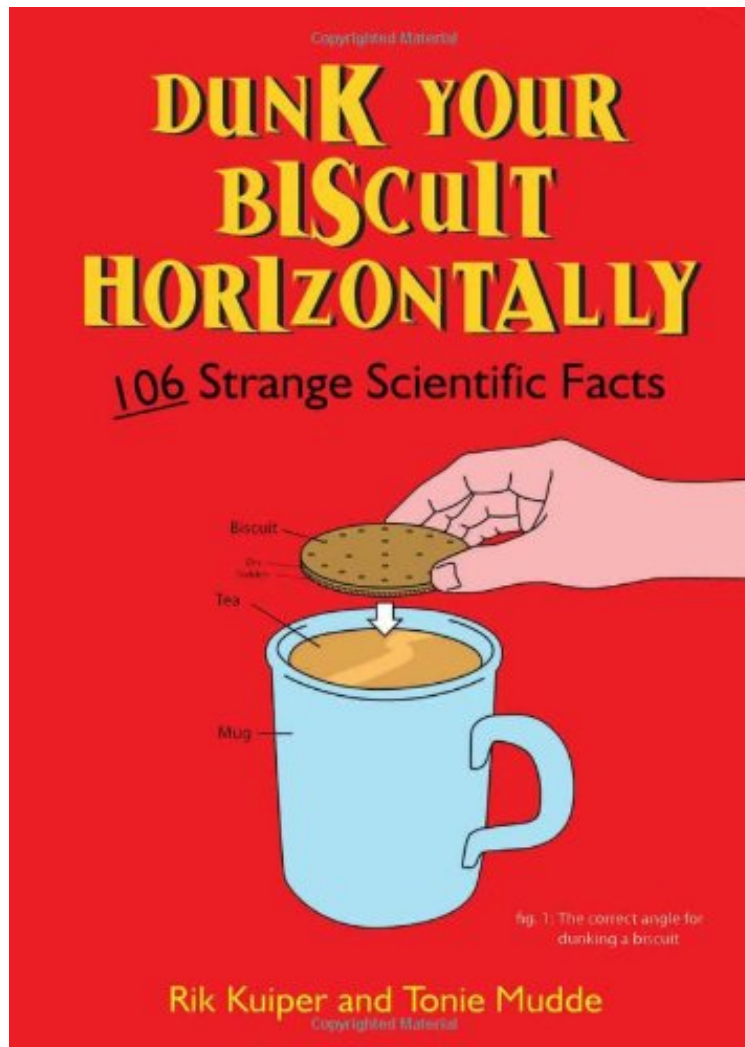


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2 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Entertaining, but with some caveats By Alessandro Gabrielli This is a quite interesting and amusing collection of conclusions from the scientific literature over the last 40 years, bundled together nicely in a short and quick format. Each of the 106 'facts' is written up in a humorous fashion, typically in about 300 words or so. Many are very interesting and some will surely pop up as being useful (at some point) over the breadth of one's life. However - I have to take serious issue with Tip #45. The authors parrot the recommendation of circumcision for hampering the spread of HIV infection. The paper they cite this conclusion from can be found here

(...). Here are the parts that most concern us:"A total of 3,274 uncircumcised men, aged 18-24 y, were randomized to a control or an intervention group with follow-up visits at months 3, 12, and 21. Male circumcision was offered to the intervention group immediately after randomization and to the control group at the end of the follow-up... The trial was stopped at the interim analysis, and the mean (interquartile range) follow-up was 18.1 mo (13.0-21.0) when the data were analyzed. There were 20 HIV infections (incidence rate = 0.85 per 100 person-years) in the intervention group and 49 (2.1 per 100 person-years) in the control group, corresponding to an RR of 0.40 (95% CI: 0.24%-0.68%; p

A collection of quirky facts and tips, all backed by genuine academic research
Always dunk your biscuit horizontally
Drinking beer is good for the environment
A wig is safer than a cycling helmet
Based on international scientific research but presented in a tongue-in-cheek style, this book reveals startling truths guaranteed to change your life—or at least make you popular at dinner parties. Fascinating and often hilarious, it will open your eyes to the quirky science behind the everyday. Discover the best time of day to be operated on, how kissing is good for hay fever, how to appear more intelligent effortlessly, and many other tips for work and home, for eating and drinking, and for a better love life.

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