

## The Fran Lebowitz Reader

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**Fran Lebowitz : The Fran Lebowitz Reader** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Fran Lebowitz Reader:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Hello AgainBy Susan S. NewmarkIve read metropolitan life and socialStudies lifetimes ago but always loved Lebowitz humor. Time to revisit these books and see how theyve stood the test of time. 25-30 yrs ago they were so funny ! Frans humor has turned to more serious political subjects and I feel like reading her original writings again! Good deal for both books !1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. I desperately want to like thisBy Brandon CarsonI first bought this book on Google Play, and then realized it wouldn't display well on non-Android devices, so I bought it for my Kindle. I really love Lebowitz, and think she's brilliant, but the stories here are just a tad too dated. I lost interest quickly, but I'm going to try and come back to it just because I

think she is fabulous. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Funny, Bizarre, Uneven By NF2 Nonetheless when Fran's on she is great. Surprised, though, having first met her through the Scorsese documentary (and was smitten), I expected more serious social commentary. Too bad she didn't make movies too.

Fran Lebowitz in Public Speaking A Martin Scorsese Picture Now an HBO Documentary Film The Fran Lebowitz Reader brings together in one volume, with a new preface, two bestsellers, Metropolitan Life and Social Studies, by an "important humorist in the classic tradition" (The New York Times Book Review) who is "the natural successor to Dorothy Parker" (British Vogue). In "elegant, finely honed prose" (The Washington Post Book World), Lebowitz limns the vicissitudes of contemporary urban life its fads, trends, crazes, morals, and fashions. By turns ironic, facetious, deadpan, sarcastic, wry, wisecracking, and waggish, she is always wickedly entertaining.

.com They say that age brings wisdom--or resignedness, at least--but every time you see Fran Leibowitz, she's just as hangdog as ever. Hey, Fran, how about writing a few more humor columns? That'll cheer you up! Or maybe not, but until she writes more columns, we'll have to make do with The Fran Leibowitz Reader. This paperback collects her two bestsellers of the 1970s into one volume, Metropolitan Life and Social Studies. Back then, her books defined knowing, urban cool. Guess what? They still do. If you were a mite too young to appreciate Leibowitz's take on that libertine decade the first time around ("Notes on Trick," anyone?), now is an excellent time to make her acquaintance. The pieces still hold up as good writing and deliver plenty of sharp laughs. Would that we had her jaundiced take on the '90s, which could use some Leibowitz-style deflating. Come back, Fran! Come back! On METROPOLITAN LIFE "Hilarious...an unlikely and perhaps alarming combination of Mary Hartman and Mary McCarthy.... To a dose of Huck Finn add some Lenny Bruce, Oscar Wilde and Alexis de Tocqueville, a dash of cabdriver, an assortment of puns, minced jargon, and top it off with smarty pants." The New York Times "Her humor made me laugh aloud and call friends to read passages to them." Newsweek On SOCIAL STUDIES "Right on the mark.... Among the things she hates this time...baggage-claim areas, high tech, after-shave lotion, adults who roller skate, children who speak French, or anyone who is unduly tan." Newsweek "Unique.... Lebowitz offers vocational guides for aspiring heiresses, popes, empresses; manuals for landlords; guidance to the rich who wish to meet the poor." Vogue About the Author Fran Lebowitz still lives in New York City, as she does not believe that she would be allowed to live anywhere else.