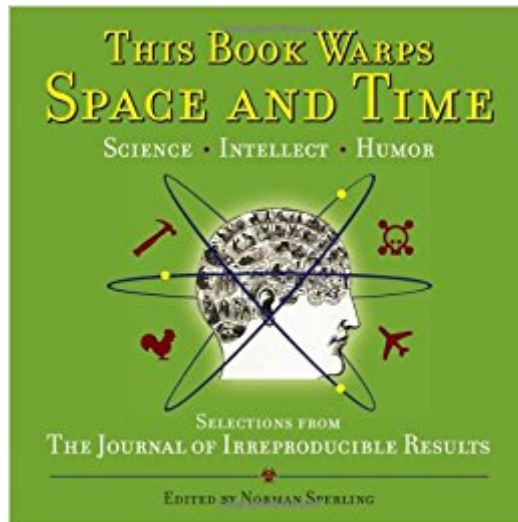


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I have two previous books with article reproductions from JIR, and I have enjoyed them greatly. And I looked forward to more fun. It arrived today, and I'm disappointed. The small format, re-typing and coloring has 'destroyed' the articles. The touch of satire embedded in the scientific journal-like presentation is lost, and the contents is reduced to plain jokes. Try to get hold of the two previous volumes of 'proper' JIR articles instead!!

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This book was filled with many of the funniest and wittiest short articles and cartoons from a great science humor magazine- The Journal of Irreproducible Research.

Good idea, but not that great. Many articles, but a lot of them aren't funny. I need 5 more words

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