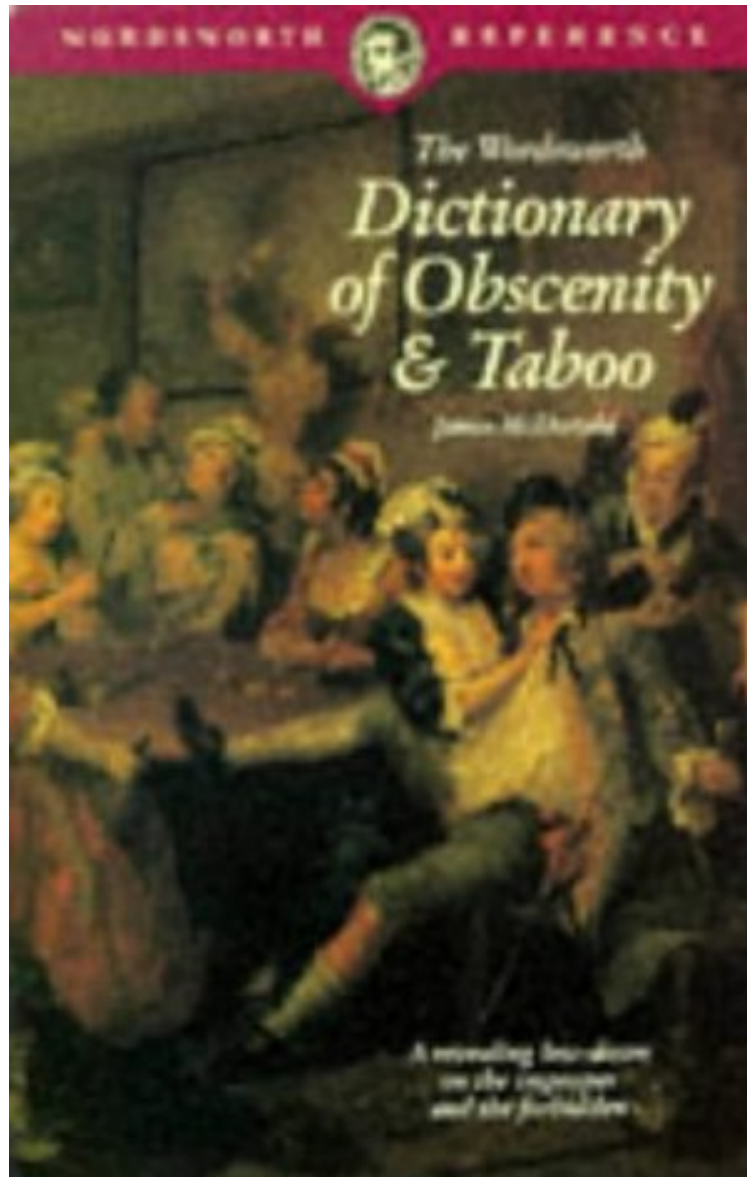


(Mobile library) Dictionary of Obscenity Taboo Euphemism (Wordsworth Reference)

Dictionary of Obscenity Taboo Euphemism (Wordsworth Reference)

James MacDonald

*DOC | *audiobook | ebooks | Download PDF | ePub*



DOWNLOAD



READ ONLINE

#1062041 in Books 2001-06-01 Original language: English PDF # 1 7.75 x 5.00 x .501, .0 #File Name: 1853263710192 pages | File size: 59.Mb

James MacDonald : Dictionary of Obscenity Taboo Euphemism (Wordsworth Reference) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Dictionary of Obscenity Taboo Euphemism (Wordsworth Reference):

2 of 6 people found the following review helpful. If you're looking for an academic reference, look elsewhere
By Emmet Lohr
Not quite what I was expecting. I wanted a diverse collection of multicultural obscenities that explained the precise definitions and some entymological hints, and this falls short of that expectation. Severely.
This dictionary is a brief collection of strictly Western obscenities. Even then it fails to deliver on what entries it does contain, often with short, flaccid definitions. There is very little about this book that would qualify it as a "reference", if anything at all.
I would advise against the purchase of this book. Not worth the money. More can be learned from a ten minute search that reading through this book.
3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Puts it all in perspective
By Simon
It's amazing just how offended people get when they hear a swear word. When you've read this book they don't seem so bad.
This is an extremely interesting reference to all those who like the seamier side of the english language. The origins of each word are presented in an informative and humorous way. In each case, wherever possible, the country of origin is presented and I'm proud to say that there are quite a few Australin contributions.
3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. An interesting read
By Matthew E. Twardy
This book not only gives the meanings behind a great number of obscenities in the english language (many of wich I never heard before) it also gives the history of the words and how they came to be considered taboo to use. It is a very interesting read espicially for someone who is wondring why some words are considered to be "bad".

This dictionary looks at the traditionally taboo subject of bodily functions, sex and religion, and arrives at conclusions about the array of words relating to them. It lists definitions, origins and changes of usage and meaning, with entries supplemented by quotes.