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Mark Shulman : The Brainiac Box: 600 Facts Every Smart Person Should Know (Kaplan Brainiac) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Brainiac Box: 600 Facts Every Smart Person Should Know (Kaplan Brainiac):

0 of 1 people found the following review helpful. It's OK to Know What you don't Know By Dr. R. D. B. Laim This box of interesting facts and fiction is something to have around when you are listless. It's an interesting assortment of challenges. 12 of 12 people found the following review helpful. More for Students. By tvtv3 THE BRAINIAC BOX includes 600 cards that are divided into three categories: blue for math science, green for arts humanities, and maroon for social sciences. I'm a trivia buff and am always on the look out for little games to not only study for myself, but to use in the classroom during downtime. I've only made it through about half the cards in the box, but have been a little disappointed. The sub title of these cards is "600 Facts Every Smart Person Should Know" but it should read "600 Facts Every Person Who Wants to Do Well on the SAT or ACT Should Know" because most of the questions are oriented for people studying for standardized tests like those. For example a typical math question is "How many variables are in the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$? (one the x) And for extra credit, what formula is this? (the quadratic equation)". A typical arts humanities question revolves around vocabulary, for example, "Professor A is a sybarite. Professor B is stultified. Who's cool in school? (Professor A)". There aren't very many questions about the arts, literature, or other humanities. A social sciences question reads, "Brown vs. Board of Education of Topeka (1954) was a landmark Supreme Court decision. What was decided, and who argued the case for Brown and the other parents?" (Brown and 13 other black parents would be allowed to enroll their 20 children in an all-white Kansas school. Future Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall argued the case). There are some questions that are more entertaining and

not as strictly didactic. For example, my favorite card so far was one from math science, "You have 5 potatoes and 7 children. How can you feed each child equally without using fractions?" The answer: "Serve them mashed potatoes." Overall, this is a nice gift for a student studying for a standardized test. Trivia buffs might enjoy it, but not as much as studying students, but there are some gems. This is also a good gift for high school teachers to use during down time. 1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Smart and Fun Learning By JCAs an adult, I was given this as a gift and find it very entertaining. My husband immediately went through the questions testing his knowledge and I went through to read the questions and answers because they are witty and very clever. This makes a great gift for your smart adult friends as well as their kids.

A great gift for trivia buffs, game lovers, and anyone who wants to quiz their friends and test their smarts, Brainiac Flash Review features 600 questions (some practical, some funny) that cover a variety of subjects in math and science, arts and humanities, and the social sciences.

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