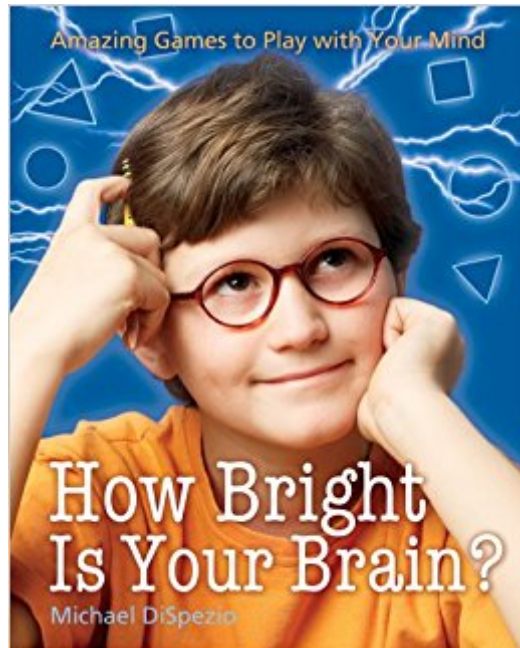




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How Bright Is Your Brain?: Amazing Games To Play With Your Mind



Synopsis

Top science author Michael DiSpezio devises some bright fun to show kids exactly how their brain, nerves, and senses work. Entertaining, informative, and all in color, this varied collection of great brain tricks, experiments, puzzles, quizzes, and activities provides a cool road map to exploring the most awesome part of the body. Every point is made in a wonderfully clear and clever way, whether DiSpezio has children create a simple model of the brain by cupping both hands, or suggests easy-to-understand comparisons (a thinking human brain uses about the same amount of power as a glowing 60-watt bulb). From an outline of the brain's major regions and a look at animal brains to creativity rules and memory tests, every detail is illuminating.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

Grade 3-5-This colorful and amusing book has lots of games and exercises designed to show the power of the brain. The activities test reflexes (catching a dropping ruler) and challenge mental skills ("which of the five is least like the others?"). The writing at times tries too hard to be lighthearted: "The human brain (even your little brother's) is very special." Still, this is not intended to be a textbook, so within the narrow framework of a game book, it is fine. There are a few diagrams of dendrites and lobes of the brain, but for the most part the cartoon illustrations are of smiling kids and animals learning about the brain with paper clips, balloons, and, in one experiment, a "large and

discarded piece of wool or fake fur."-Christine A. Moesch, City of Tonawanda Public Library, NY
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I am a teacher and enjoy reading good children's literature and books. This has great pictures and explanations with projects for children to do that help them understand how the brain looks inside and how it works. The projects are do-able in a classroom or home schooled. I originally checked it out from the county library then ordered a copy for my classroom.

I think it is a great introduction for 9-12 year olds. It is written in a friendly, conversational manner with comic style illustrations. I have been going through this book with my 12, 10 and 8 year olds. We have really enjoyed exploring the many different aspects of our brain. The book has lots of activities to try; experiments to perform, models to make, riddles to solve... It does not go into much detail in any area. If your child is particularly interested in an aspect of the brain you would need to find other resources. A fun way to start learning about how our brain works.

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