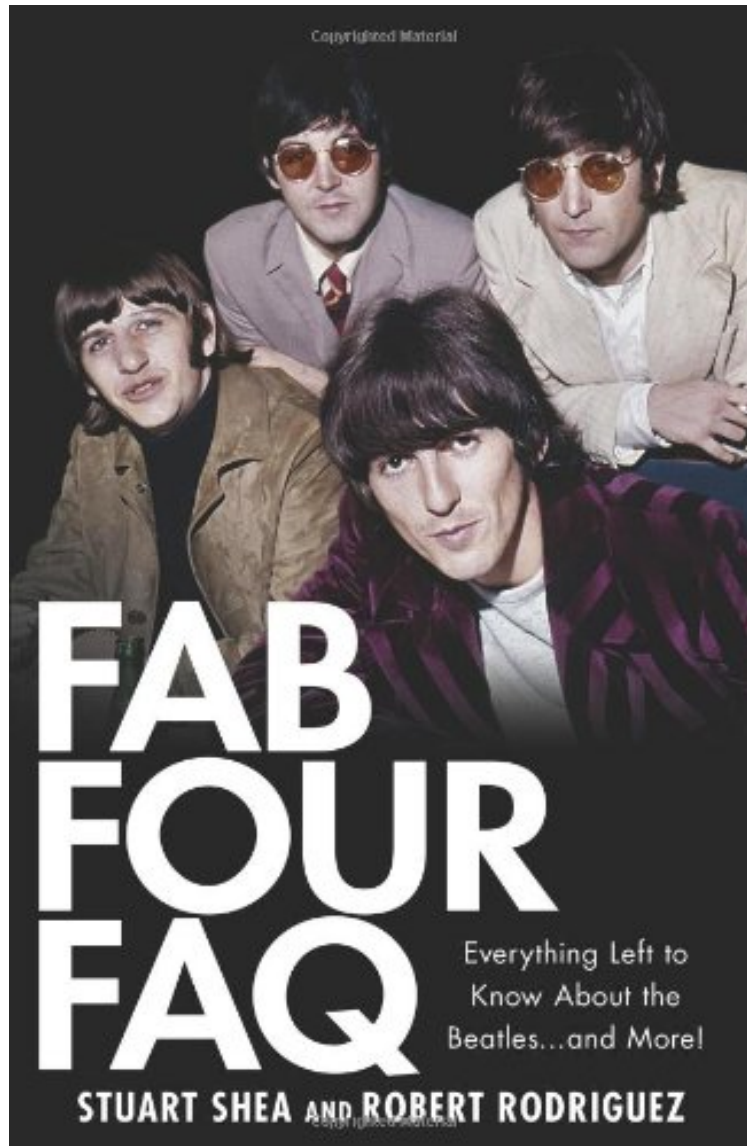


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Stuart Shea, Robert Rodriguez : Fab Four FAQ: Everything Left to Know About the Beatles . and More! (Faq Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Fab Four FAQ: Everything Left to Know About the Beatles . and More! (Faq Series):

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. A Fun And Fascinating Read!!By Frank MI didn't expect much when I picked up this book. Having read the Davies and Norman Beatles biographies, Lewisohn's superb books on their recording sessions, all the Spizer books on their American records, Bill Harry's encyclopedia, and numerous other tomes, I figured Shea and Rodriguez would just rehash the same old Beatles trivia. Happily, I was mistaken! This book is a genuine treasure! Between Chris Hillman's foreword and Jackie Lomax's afterword there is a wealth of info that even dyed-in-the-wool Beatlemaniacs can sink their canines into. Sure, some of it has seen the light of day before but a lot of it is surprisingly fresh -- or at least freshly presented. You'd be hard-pressed to find a similar book organized in such an entertaining and highly readable fashion. I was actually sad when I came to the end! Another bonus, though: It's a great reference text!The chapters are cleverly titled with snippets of Beatles lyrics and the topics include such fun reads as Beatle children, Beatle wives and girlfriends (are you listening, Bill Harry? Your vaunted encyclopedia totally ignored Maureen Starkey!!), villains in the Beatle story, fellow actors and actresses in their movies, their favorite brands of instruments, musical role switches on certain songs, obscure people in the Beatles orbit, other acts that toured with them, songs they wrote for others, etc., etc., etc. "Fab Four Faqs" is really a misnomer; the book is actually a long series of lists but fleshed out with some revealing (to me, at least) details. The authors have a witty, often irreverent, style but their love for their subject spills from every page.At various times throughout the book, Shea and Rodriguez say that "another book" is needed to cover many of the people, places, and events they only allude to because of space constraints. I can only hope they're serious.....0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy Edward QuinnAlways enjoy the FAQ books. Very informative.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Fab Four FantasticBy Kim BrondykeIf you claim to be a true Beatles fan, you will not want to pass up this book. No historical tome, this book is a collection of fascinating facts, some of which you will learn for the first time reading these pages. This clever, trendy book is broken up into sections that make it more encyclopedic, and thus, easy to put down and pick up again for repeated convenience and ease of reading. This book not only covers facts about the Beatles, but also about other groups and artists of their time. For example, I was interested to learn that Frank Sinatra once recorded a birthday song for Ringo's wife, Maureen, as she was a Sinatra fan!All in all, this book is a more-than-interesting read that you can always go back to when you need a Beatles fix!

40 years after the release of the iconic Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, the Beatles continue to captivate music fans of all ages. There's something always more to discuss about the Fab Four. What were their greatest live performances? Their worst moments? Stories still unknown by most music fans, trends still unseen, history still uninterpreted are all revealed in Fab Four FAQ. Pop culture authors Stuart Shea and Rob Rodriguez provide must-know fan trivia and offer obscure Beatles facts and stories in an easy-to-read, provocative format that will start as many arguments as will end them. With more than sixty chapters of stories, history, observation, and opinion, Fab Four FAQ lays bare the whys and wherefores that made the Beatles so great, giving credit where credit is due and maybe bursting some bubbles along the way.

Any book that can teach you this much about something you already know a lot about is a very good book. --Seattle Stranger, 9/26/2007