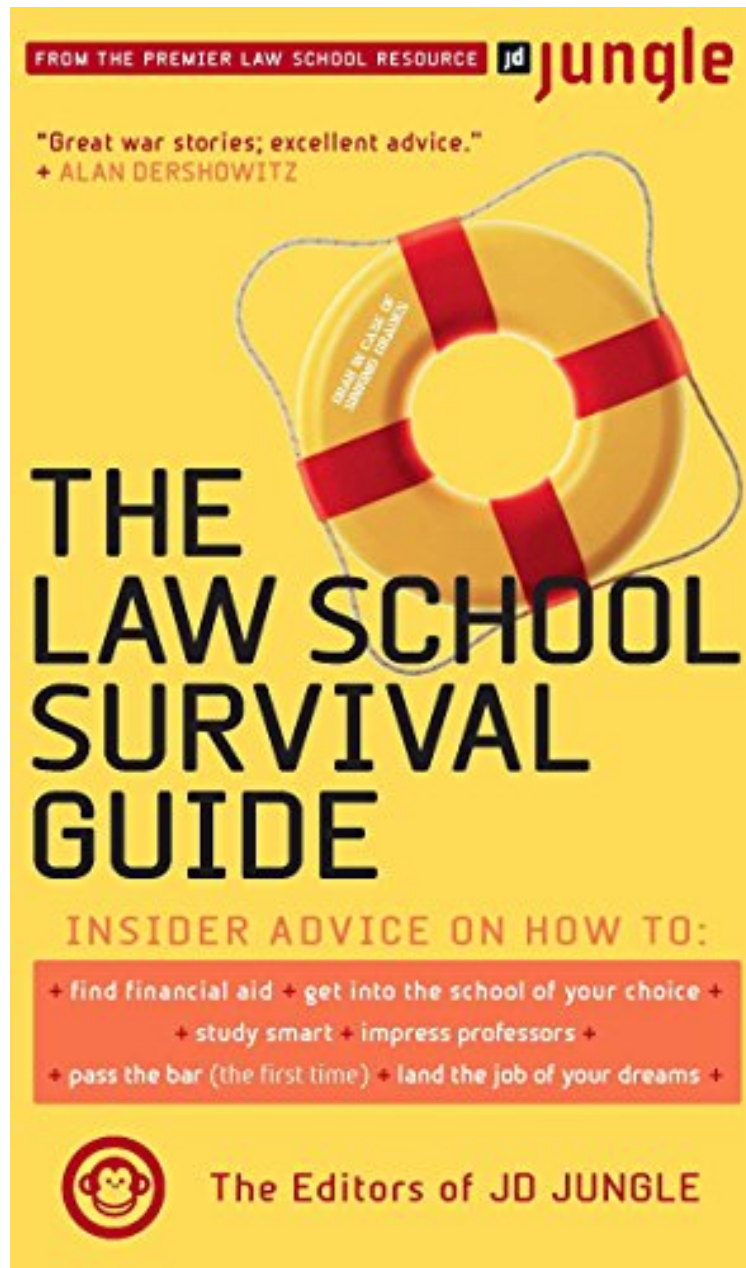


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From Da Capo Press : The Jd Jungle Law School Survival Guide before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Jd Jungle Law School Survival Guide:

2 of 3 people found the following review helpful. At Least the cover looks nice (somewhat)By Peter PorcupineFor any

prospective law student, you don't need a Juris Doctor to know that the entire process of becoming a lawyer is going to be long, strenuous, and exhausting. "The Law School Survival Guide" does its best in trying to address every step of the law school ladder starting from "Why go to Law school?" right up to passing the BAR exam. However, when done reading this book, you may be baffled by whether or not JD Jungle tried to the fullest extent possible to bestow the most detailed and accurate information to a prospective law student. Important information needed to make big decisions for a law student is minuscule in comparison to sections that are of less importance. For example; "Paying for Your Education" chapter is a mere 5 pages while the "Summer Reading" section that includes such sensational suggestions like "The Crucible" and "Feminism Unmodified" deprives the reader of 8 pages of relevant advice. Not much information is provided to the reader about how to actually get into law school. After all, if you don't actually get into a law school, this book would be rather useless. A brief deal of information is set forth about passing the LSAT. The LSAT is one of the most important and difficult steps in entering law school. As the saying goes "Law school is much harder to get into than actually passing". I HIGHLY recommend a prospective law student to invest in a more in-depth LSAT review book that synthesizes the test as well as prepares the LSAT taker with the material. Almost Anything from Kaplan or Law School Admission Council is money well spent. A lengthily amount of time is spent on "Eat Right: The Art of the Recruiting Meal". Where many of their "Etiquette" tips are pretty much given such as "make sure your fly is zipped up" and "shower before going." Some of the finer points about the book include a rather detailed chapter about the dreaded first year of Law School. However, once again the book falls short, and fails to detail what second and third years academics involve. JD Jungle instead explains clerkships and summer associate positions leaving the reader with nothing more than "third and second year academics are much easier. You get to pick your subjects.....(next chapter)" The "Passing the BAR exam" chapter does anything but motivate or provide helpful advice. Rather, it spends pages telling tales of horror and pure terror to the test taker. You might get a chuckle out of it but will still have no idea where you should begin to prepare for the BAR. Now for the most laughable chapter of the entire book; Chapter 10 "Inspiration". JD Jungle takes a shot at providing "Inspirational" interviews to six so-called "Legal Luminaries", which include: 1. Erin Brockovich (who is more of a Hollywood celebrity/Oprah guest than a legal pundit not to mention she has never even been through law school) 2. A leftist Supreme Court justice (which they admit) 3. A Kennedy family member turned environmental crusader 4. A tobacco company assailant 5. An ACLU soldier/ anti-capital punishment "activist" 6. A comical NAACP Al Sharpton-emulating lawyer Inspiration for what? Heading to sue McDonalds for making kids fat? Look into "Law School Confidential" for a much worthier law school guide which is more frank and geared towards practical information. Law School Confidential (Revised Edition): A Complete Guide to the Law School Experience: By Students, for Students 11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Skim it for free at the library! By A Customer I took this book out from the library, instead of buying it... I would have been really disappointed if I had wasted my money. Right now, I am in the process of applying to law schools and checked out a few books... the ones I plan on buying are "Law School Confidential" and "Planet Law School"... I've also heard really good things about "Law School Insider". "JD Jungle" is so light weight in comparison. There is nothing new or insightful about this book. The legal pop culture references to television, movies sensational trials - feel more like name dropping than useful information. Erin Brockovich in a law school guide? C'mon! She's never even gone to law school. Who needs to hear about how well Julia Roberts portrayed her in a law school guide?!? I did find the interview of Justice Stevens insightful... but again not enough to justify buying this book. 12 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Survival Guide sinks By C. Brennan I expected more from JD Jungle. A barebones guide, only sparse and vague advice is given on how to study, how to brief a case, how to outline for exams, and understanding the IRAC procedure. A mere 1.5 pages were devoted to how to ace law school exams, for example. No example cases or practice briefs were provided unlike other law school prep books I have read. The only reason that I gave the book 2 stars instead of 1 was the engaging interviews in the last chapter. The chapter is entitled "Inspiration" and it did not disappoint. Such legal heavy-weights such as Erin Brockovich, Justice John Paul Stevens, and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. are included in this chapter. In sum, I would recommend a different guide. Or, better yet, do it the free way~ online. I have gotten extensive feedback from online law student message boards and online advice columns (such as lawnerds).

There's an old saying about law school: The first year, they scare you to death; the second year, they work you to death; the third year, they bore you to death. Helping to alleviate this famed fright, sweat, and boredom, The JD Jungle Law School Survival Guide expertly shows current and prospective students how to navigate all three years of law-school torture. Comprehensive, practical, and witty, it includes advice from students in the trenches, successful graduates, sage professors, and working professionals, including: How to identify and get accepted at the law school of your choice Places to look for and get financial aid Effective note-taking, study, and exam-day strategies Tips for managing law-school stress How to pass the bar exam the first time How to land a law internship - and then the job of your dreams Founded by parent company Jungle Interactive Media in 2000, JD Jungle is one of the hottest new magazines on the market. With a circulation of 80,000 subscribers, it can be found on newsstands everywhere. Visit www.JdJungle.com.

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