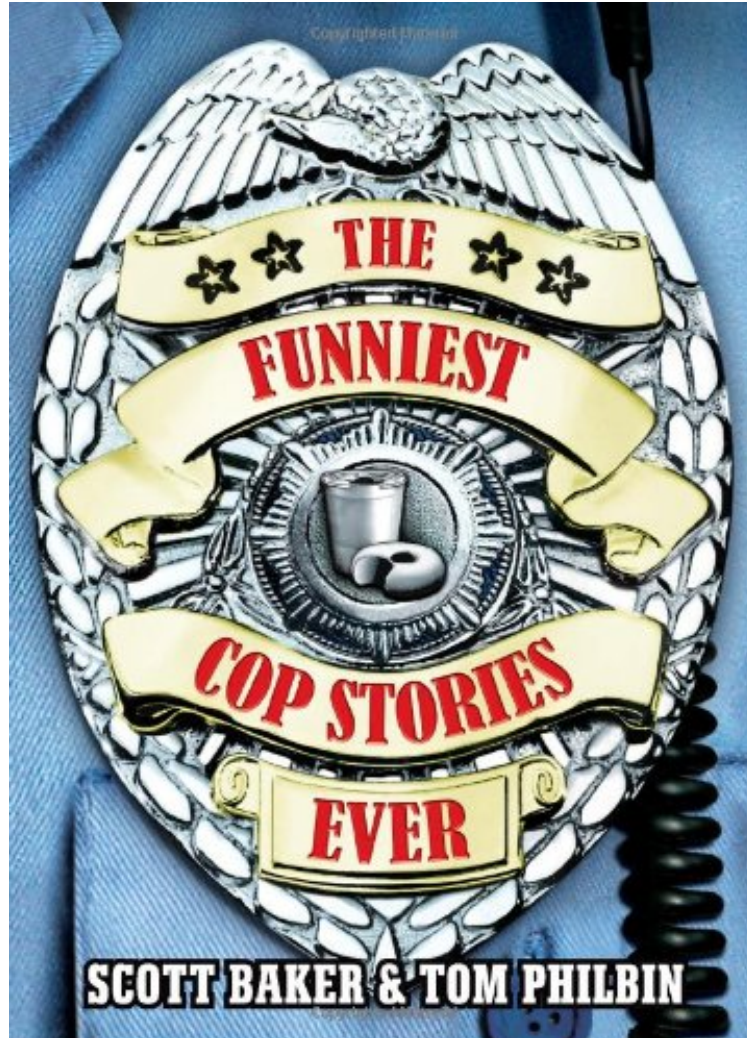


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**Scott Baker : The Funniest Cop Stories Ever** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Funniest Cop Stories Ever:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Some great stories, some okay ones. By dirtymc I liked the book. The stories were short and funny. They give you some insight into what life is like for police men and women. They are heavily NYPD centered meaning that many mention partners. A huge chunk of modern day officers ride solo. Although I think most would still easily relate and connect with the stories. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Funny? No, disappointing and disturbing... By John Williamson I bought The Funniest Cop Stories Ever by Scott Baker and Tom Philbin as a Kindle edition with the idea of seeing how good it was, as I wanted to get the printed edition as a gift for a friend who is a retired police officer, one who was wounded and decorated a few times

for his service to his community. Sad to say, this book, which had been recommended by another friend, turned out to be not only disappointing, but it can be disturbing in places as well. I had to pick an entirely different book for my friend. As I said, he's a decorated officer, but when people ask him if he's Italian, he quietly states that he's Latino, referring to the fact that his parents came from Puerto Rico. His wife of twenty-some years is of Asian background, and I didn't think this book would have been appropriate under the circumstances considering some of the ethnic references, to put it mildly. I've had enough friends in law enforcement over the years to have heard quite a bit of station-house banter, and some of it can be quite funny. Granted, there are some parts of this book that are humorous, witty anecdotes collected by an ex-NYC police officer, and there are things about "the job" that can give one who serves a dark sense of humor if only to relieve the tension and the pressure from this line of work. Anyone who has served in the military and been in harms way can understand this. Some of the anecdotes can be light and innocuous, such as this from where an old-time cop says: "Today I hear cops complain about having to make five or six runs a night. In the late '80s, when I was on the job, we made fourteen, fifteen runs a night, and half of those were gun runs. It was either shots fired, man with a gun, or when we'd get there we'd see bullet holes, blood, or a body. Listen, let me put it this way: When I was on the job it was so dangerous the Statue of Liberty had both hands up!" However, the same two authors have written another book, *A Lighter Shade of Blue: Weird, Wild, and Wacky Cop Stories*, released in 2011, and that one is truly funny. It can be a bit sketchy in places, but the sense of humor in this one is definitely there. It's the title that I did get for my friend, and it was appreciated. Should note that I also have a copy of my own. As a reader, I cannot recommend the title that I'm reviewing here, but if you enjoy police humor or know someone that does, the newer title, "A Lighter Shade of Blue" is a good one. 9/30/2012 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. More Sad and Disappointing Than Funny By KES In all fairness, I got about 30% through the book before I deleted it from my Kindle. However, I didn't find anything in that 30% funny - there were a few ironic moments, but mostly it was sad, shameful, and disappointing that the people we place our trust in would act like this and treat others like this. The stories are disrespectful to people in general (at least they are as equally contemptuous of other cops as they are of us regular citizens), but the overall tone of many stories is specifically disrespectful of other ethnicities - which seems strange given the number of stories that mention partners of minority races. I'm a little surprised by the stories describing police officers of questionable intelligence - perhaps the police academy now needs to include IQ tests before they let you shoot your gun at the little paper target. As the editor (I suppose that's what he is) mentions in the introduction, many of these stories would get these cops in trouble if it were known that they did these things. Really? That's something you want to brag about and put in writing? I can totally see a bunch of cops and former cops finding these stories funny (hopefully many of them would be angered by them). In my mind, I can see all of these stories being told by a group of cops drinking at their favorite bar - like soldiers comparing war stories. However, after deleting this from my Kindle, I plan to return to my delusional world in which good cops don't act like this just so they don't have to do extra paperwork before their shift ends. For all the honest, hard-working cops out there and their families - THANK YOU for your service.

Nothing quite prepares you for what you will see on the street once you become a cop. It is one of the most dangerous jobs a person can do but also the most fun as well. --Scott Baker Cops are the people who see and hear it all. They work at one of the world's most dangerous jobs, but it's also one of the most entertaining. When their lives are at risk--and even when they aren't--cops encounter constant weirdness and stupidity in human behavior. *The Funniest Cop Stories Ever* collects the strangest, most amusing stories about stupid crooks, bungled crimes, and station-house banter. A true look at what life is like behind the badge, the tales in *The Funniest Cop Stories Ever* were collected by real-life ex-New York City policeman Scott Baker and coauthor Tom Philbin. Anecdotes are told by the real-life cops who experienced them and include: \* A foot chase after a dwarf who karate-kicked his girlfriend's door and assaulted her while wearing a tuxedo and carrying a violin case. \* A beggar who ended people's pay phone calls so he could demand their extra spare change. \* A narcotics bust on a guy who claimed the crack cocaine--and his pants--didn't belong to him.

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