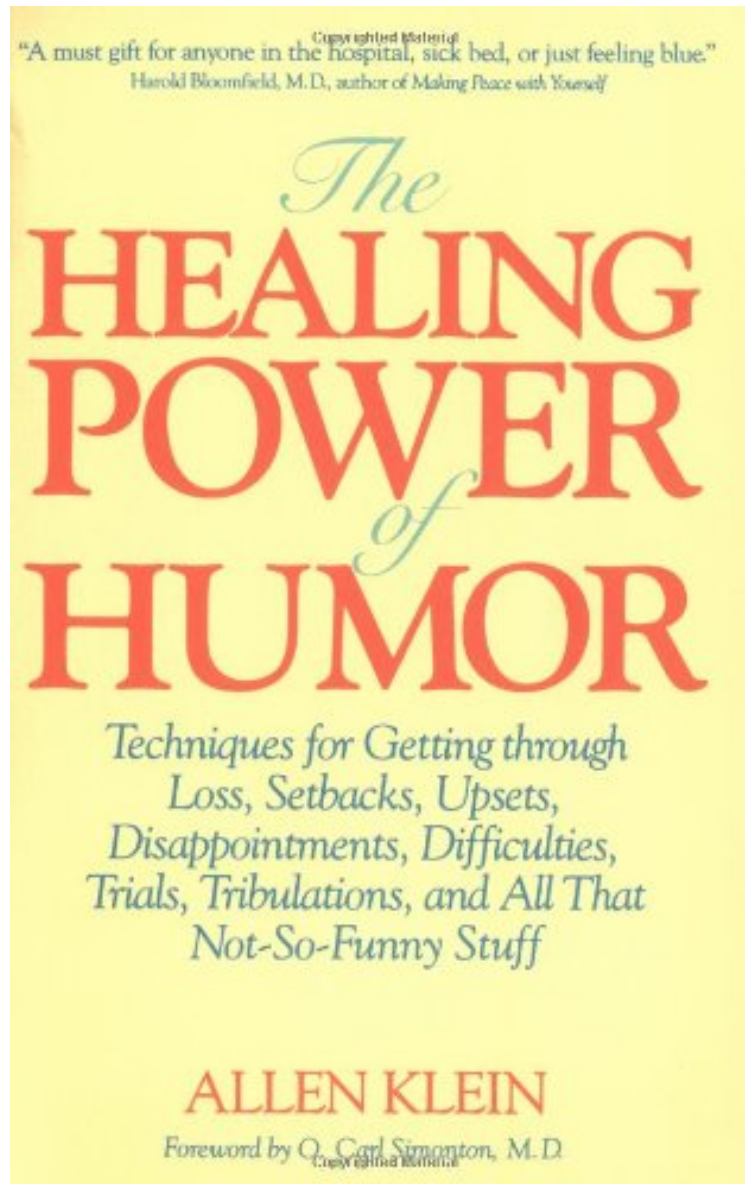


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. This book is an example of his amazing contributions to the field of humor studies. By Mary Kay Morrison Allen Klein is a legend in the AATH (Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor). He is a lifetime award recipient and past president of this organization. This book is an example of his amazing contributions to the field of humor studies. 4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Dated but still good advice. By kubryan I can see why so many years after its initial publication date that this book is still popular. The information in this book is great for everything from day-to-day frustrations to things like terminal illness and death. The book offers tips or exercises at the end of each chapter to help guide the reader to employ these tactics in their day-to-day life or at the appropriate opportune moment. Additionally, the advice offered covers a broad range of humor styles which is also helpful. As I read through this book I found myself laughing at some of the concepts but knowing I would never do such things and laughing at others because I have done the activity or could easily see myself doing it. One thing I very much enjoyed was the frequent quotations from famous individuals, books, and of course comedians who have addressed similar topics at some point in their own life. That was probably my favorite part of this book. I would love to see this book updated and adapted a bit to modern culture but despite its dated presentation of the information, I believe it is still very good information at its core. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Good Humor Never Gets Old. By CK The Healing Power of Humor goes beyond the positive impact that a good laugh can have on our attitude when we're faced with a challenge. This book is a reminder that we always have a choice to behave and think in ways that will lead us out of the pain. You will chuckle as you read some of the stories, and will realize that taking challenges and problems less seriously doesn't mean you don't care about overcoming the challenges or solving the problems. Instead, it means that you open space in your mind so you can find effective and long-lasting solutions.

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From the Author I wrote this book after my wife died. Her humor helped me get through the three difficult years of her terminal illness. Hundreds of people have told me how it helped them to not only deal with life-challenging issues but everyday trials and tribulations as well. It must have because the book is now in 24th printing and seventh language translation. (as of 02/01) For more, check out allenklein.com About the Author Comedian Jerry Lewis has said that Allen Klein is "a noble and vital force watching over the human condition." Klein is an award-winning professional speaker and best-selling author of 17 books, including *The Healing Power of Humor*, *The Courage to Laugh*, *Change Your Life!: A Little Book of Big Ideas*, *Inspiration for a Lifetime*, and, *Learning to Laugh When You Feel Like Crying*. Klein is also a recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Association for Applied and Therapeutic Humor, a Certified Speaking Professional designation from the National Speakers Association, a Toastmaster's Communication and Leadership Award, and, a New York City Hunter College Hall of Fame honoree.