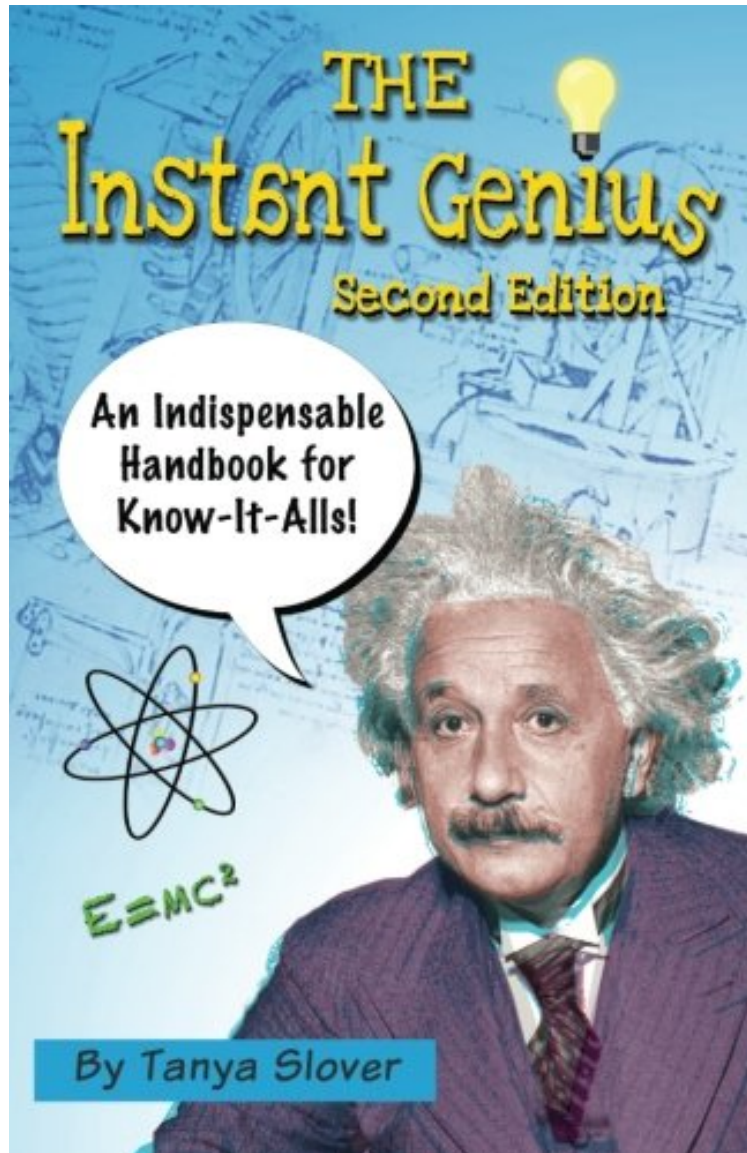


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This SECOND EDITION of *The Instant Genius: An Indispensable Handbook for Know-It-Alls* is off-beat, sometimes bizarre, even irreverent trivia at its best. With a snappy QA format and humorous clip art this book will amuse, enlighten and entertain. A great way to learn interesting factoids as well as a bit of just plain nonsense, you'll often find yourself smiling and even laughing out loud. *The Instant Genius* is not only a perfect party starter but a terrific companion with which to pass the time no matter where you are. Enjoy. It's a great ride. *The Instant Genius (Second Edition)* is the first book of the Instant Trilogy. It is followed by *The Instant Voyeur: A Titillating Peek at Sex and love*; and, *The Instant Celebrity: Their 15 Minutes of Fame, Notoriety or Whatever*.

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