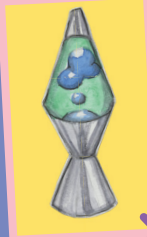





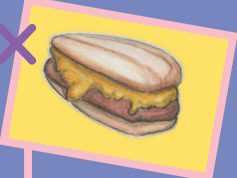







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	MATRYOSHKA DOLLS Originally meant to symbolize motherhood and fertility, these tchotchkes now come in myriad incarnations, including sets that feature Putin, Spongebob, and Betty Boop.		Delightful		PIGGY BANKS Because indoctrinating future capitalists starts at birth.	EGYPTIAN PLOVER BIRDS Before humans had Quip, crocodiles had avian toothbrushes.
LAVA LAMPS The exact recipe may be a trade secret, but it is common knowledge that there are few things more mesmerizing than watching gelatinous globs of hot wax float aimlessly in a glass vase for hours on end.					SECRET ROOMS The answer to nearly every quandary, whether it's finding a winning spot for hide-and-seek or the perfect place to stash that body.	
MCDONALD'S HAPPY MEAL TOYS Even the vice president of the McDonald's Collectors Club David Bracken, who has amassed a collection of over 4,500 toys, isn't sure what spurs his hobby.	FINGERS TRAPPED IN FINGER TRAPS These woven bamboo cylinders envelop the index fingers and then tighten when pulled—delivering both a lesson on the futility of resistance and a great party trick.	FORTUNE COOKIE FORTUNES In their early days, fortune cookies proffered quotes from the Bible or wisdom from the likes of Confucius and Mark Twain. Today, they trend slightly less sage.			EDIBLES Either a super chill way to pass an afternoon or the reason you spent 48 hours sitting in a hollowed-out redwood tree, searching for the door handle.	BOOK APPENDIX An unexpected treat for the voracious bibliophile-cum-philomath who just can't get enough.
Pointless			Useful			
THAT LATE-NIGHT CHEESESTEAK YOU HAD THE OTHER DAY You should've just gone to bed instead.				SCHRÖDINGER'S CAT There's nothing like quantum mechanics to make your brain feel both dead and alive.		
					NEGS A put-down nestled snugly inside of a compliment.	
THE HUMAN APPENDIX If every-one considered you completely pointless, you'd be easily inflamed, too.	THE HUMAN SOUL Responsible for more religious guilt, heated debate, and overall bloodshed than your average intangible non-organ.	TAYLOR SWIFT IN A SUITCASE Rumored to be the pop star's preferred mode of incognito transportation, much to the chagrin of her bodyguards who have been spotted on multiple occasions struggling to carry a mysterious piece of XXL luggage.			HAIR PLUGS Pate or pelage? To be or not to be? These are the questions.	DARK FABLES WITH SPINE-CHILLING MORALS After authoring over 200 of these fables, it's no wonder those brothers were Grimm.
	PARASITES Autophobes will be comforted to know that over 90 percent of cells in the human body are actually parasites. (Visualize the human body as an amusement park for bugs or a petri dish with legs if you really want to sleep well tonight.)	YONI EGGS Google "Goop pays \$145,000 settlement."	Upsetting		MOUSETRAPS With more patents than any other device, this contraption both validates the adage "necessity is the mother of invention" and illustrates humans' undying hatred of mice.	