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size. In a world where you've got an iPod, digital recorder, CD player, digital camera, cell phone or pager to carry you really don't need another item to try to slide into one of the pockets on your coat or your petite clutch purse. **COULD BE MORE READER FRIENDLY...** The books in alphabetical order with two rows of definitions per page. The layout is fine but a space between the definition of each word and the new word could be enhanced to make it reader friendly. What they have done is bolded each word so that you can see the beginning of each new word coming. **WHAT I LOVED ABOUT IT FROM A MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKING STAND POINT...** Was all of the phrases for the way we can say something and make it more colorful and visually vibrant. Painting word pictures in this day and age of little bitty Sound Bytes really becomes neat. The only problem is that most people are very unfamiliar with all of the idioms of Americans less alone all of the idioms that are floating around from the whole world. Maybe I should rephrase that :) . Well if you need your memory inspired for ways to communicate something new, differently or exciting just pick up American Idioms and you're onto something. Thanks. Your Servant, Deremiah, \*CPE

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