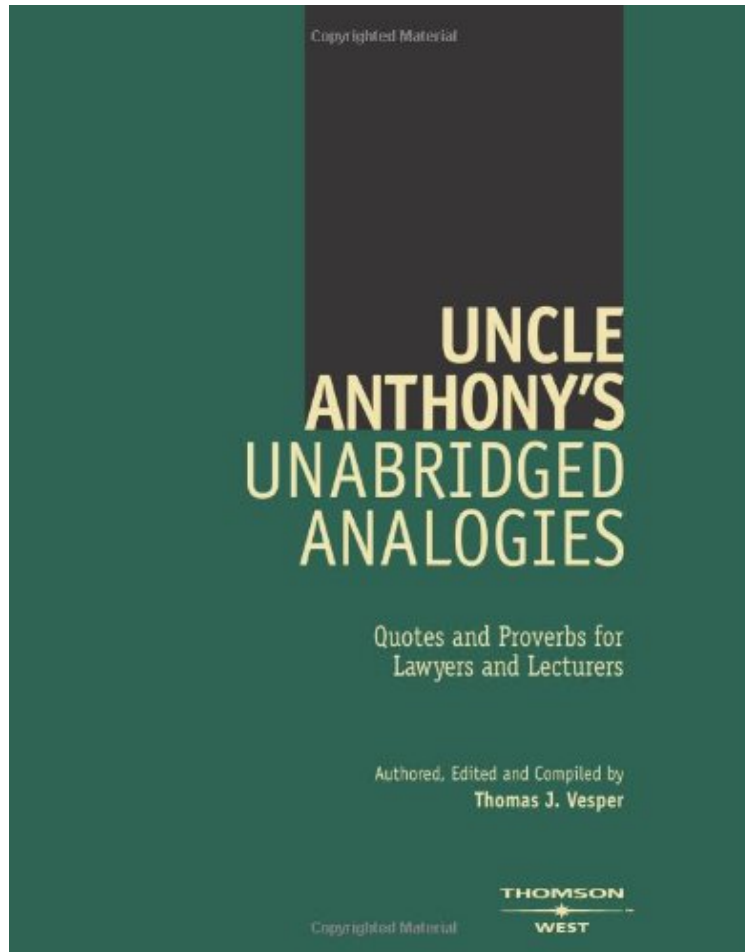


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51 of 53 people found the following review helpful. I really wanted to like this book; at \$100 I REALLY wanted to like this book.By Thasha BrownAs a practicing attorney and columnist, I'm often in need of quotes about the law. However, this book falls short of the mark by 1) failing to provide comprehensive attribution of many of its quotations, and 2) lacking in variety and complexity of law-specific quotations.To begin, while this book is replete with wonderfully pithy quotes, very few of them are accompanied by comprehensive citations. Let me be clear: quotes from case law are usually provided with citations, however, literary quotes found in the book are often only attributed to a particular author, without a reference to indicate where in that author's work we may find that particular quote.

Whereas this may not bother the casual reader, I think it is a liability for an attorney or anybody seeking further study on the context from which the quote arises. A second major flaw, in my opinion, is the lack of quotes pertaining to certain legal topics. For instance, although there is a heading for quotes related to "negligence," there are no quotes relating to other common legal topics such as "assault" or "recklessness," to name but a few. As a result, I find the book to be an interesting read, but little more useful than a copy of Bartlett's Quotations. And as there is a \$70 price difference between the two books, I shall return my copy of Uncle Anthony and purchase the less expensive Bartlett's. It is a pity, as a book on law-specific quotations is sorely needed. Bottom line: this book is a nice start, but given the price tag and the limitations noted above, I cannot recommend it.

0 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Product was as advertised. By Robert L. Tucker This is a very helpful resource for writers and speakers. The price was excellent and the book was in first class condition.

Uncle Anthony's Unabridged Analogies offers an extensive and unique collection of thousands of topically-organized proverbs, quotations, and sayings drawn from a wide range of well-known and time-honored sources as the Bible, Shakespeare, Lincoln, Churchill, and hundreds more, as well as some lesser-known, but insightful, observers of life and the individual and collective challenges, frailties, and strengths that we all encounter. The author's fascination with collecting quotations began in high school and continued through college and law school; and over the past 30 years his high school index box has become a foot locker filled with quotes that he has found useful for writing or speaking on legal and other topics. Since ancient Egypt every civilization has collected proverbs. In the English language, The Proverbs of Alfred, (1150-80), is one of the earliest known collections of proverbs. In North America, Poor Richard's, (1732-57) by Benjamin Franklin is probably the most celebrated collection of proverbs. Proverbs often contradict one another. You can easily find one maxim that cancels another. The wisdom that advises us to look before we leap also warns us that if we hesitate all is lost; that absence makes the heart grow fonder, but out of sight, out of mind. So what can we learn from that? Simply that life is full of contradictions, and that proverbs and maxims, etc., reflect and express these disagreements, and that many apothegms are more witty than true. All of us, not just trial lawyers, recite famous quotes and proverbs to better express ourselves. Adages are the wit of the inarticulate. Proverbs are the gospel of the poor. Folk sayings are the college of the masses. More important: Proverbs are what a people any people believe, cherish, and teach their young. They are those harvested crops of knowledge and experience with which the dead dower each generation of the living. Shakespeare has a phrase that runs: We patch grief with proverbs. The author has tried to do more than that. He has patched his ignorance and verbal impotence with them. The Proverb is often reason laid bare, arguments stripped of fat, complexity clarified beyond this interpretation. The author views proverbs as the precious distillation of what many great men have learned from centuries of experience. Aristotle considered apothegms the product of intellectual maturity and, recognizing their enormous power, declared it unbecoming for the young to utter maxims! As the author's Uncle Anthony used to say, echoing the sentiments of Peter Anderson, Winston Churchill, and Joseph Roux: Quotations found in books of that stuff are like bullpens for lawyers when you find yourself in a jam you can go to your best quote like a good closer or middle relief pitcher. The author has included his personal favorites for each category; that is, for almost every topic in this book he has found an extract from the Bible, Ambrose Bierce, Winston Churchill, Will Rogers, William Shakespeare and Mark Twain; and on purely legal topics he has added two of his all-time heroic wordsmiths: former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., and former Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Michael A. Musmanno. The great thing about a reference book of quotations (whether they are proverbs or sayings) is that if you don't have an Uncle Anthony from Philly or an Aunt Mary from Brooklyn, you can borrow any of the sayings in this book and loan them to one of your own aunts and uncles.