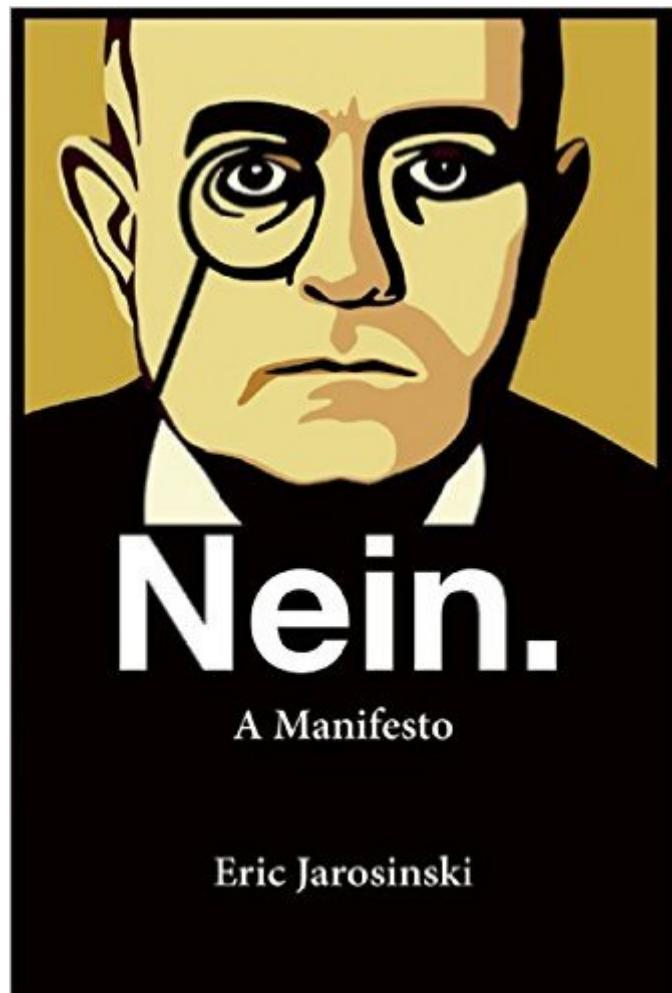


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# Nein. A Manifesto



## Synopsis

#FrequentlyAskedQuestions 1. Ontology: what the fuck? 2. Causality: why the fuck? 3. Epistemology: how the why the fuck? 4. Phenomenology: the fuck. *Nein. A Manifesto* is the brainchild of Eric Jarosinski, the self-described "failed intellectual" • behind the hugely popular @NeinQuarterly, a "Compendium of Utopian Negation" • that uses the aphoristic potential of Twitter to plumb the existential abyss of modern life; and finds it bottomless. Stridently hopeless and charmingly dour, *Nein. A Manifesto* is an irreverent philosophical investigation into our most urgent questions. And the least. Inspired by the aphorisms of Nietzsche, Karl Kraus, Walter Benjamin, and Theodor W. Adorno, Jarosinski's short-form style reinvents philosophy for a world doomed to distraction. *Nein. A Manifesto* will be packaged as an attractive small-format hardcover, with a handful of Jarosinski's aphorisms laid out on each page. Critical thinkers, lovers of language, bibliophiles, manics and depressives alike will be drawn to this compelling, witty, and often hilarious translation of digital into print. Theory into praxis. And tragedy into farce.

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## Customer Reviews

I'm OK? You're OK? *Nein*. Optimism overrated? Ja. A requiem for the grand platitudes and new agey sloganeering of the generations who thought they'd never grow old or fall off the mountain. Never have to worry about fading eyesight vs failing insight. Would always be the eagles flying high above Don Juan teaching the wolf how to crash the party, and how to keep a straight face with the dogs playing poker. Ante up. Grey owes nothing to black or white. It does best to fulfill its own payment schedule—the 20th century promise that went deep into

debt. Life is what you make it! Life is the remains of a hell courtesy of those who've found heaven. When life deals lemons, you make lemonade! When you make enough lemonade you've found acid reflux. You have a bad attitude! I have lots of lemons. Why can't you look on the bright side? Perhaps I'll offer Bambi a lollipop. Would you like a chocolate? No. But I'll take these donuts. Philosophy and academia are the penultimate failures. There's more to come and nothing to expect. Even god was once an atheist. A Manifesto. A table set for Nein. Open the book. Read it. The professors won't see. Lock the door behind you. Climb out the window into the bright dark of day. It was always this dark. Air. Mein, Fährer! I can breathe!

It's no secret that Eric Jarosinski is a brilliant guy with a creativity and sense of humor that can't be matched. Nein. A Manifesto does not disappoint. Yes, it's a short book BUT it doesn't necessarily translate into a fleeting, quick read. The poetic beauty of Nein. A Manifesto can be best appreciated by reading each entry and then reflecting for a few moments on the words, hanging onto them, digesting them.

Are you looking for that book to sit out on your coffee table that will impress your guests? Or just leave them briefly engrossed? Are you looking for that book to sit on the shelf in the guest bathroom to leave similar guests intrigued? Confounded? Left wondering at the hidden depths you might enjoy? Yeah that is a weird combo for some I have no doubt. But this is one of those books. Show how clever you are or pretend to be by putting this out for others to see. But first read it yourself. At least twice. Maybe thrice. Don't worry, you will go back more than that as long as you have it I am sure. If you get the physical copy though be prepared for your less ethical and more rude guests to maybe accidentally let it fall into purse or messenger bag? What I am trying to say is that this is funny, witty, thoughtful and even slightly provoking all in a short but deftly written set of ideas in simple epigram form.

If you're feeling low, out of options, and you just don't know which way to turn, you should buy this book. Because misery loves company.

I asked Mr. Jarosinski to sign my copy of his Manifesto. He said Nein. Taking the book to Goodwill without reading it.

I regret to say that my doppelgÃ¤nger snatched it, and read it first. Found it under my bed.

Wittgenstein once said that a serious and good philosophical work could be written that would consist entirely of jokes (without being facetious)

Eric Jarosinski's collection of aphorisms make an interesting read. These tweets are easy to read and somewhat thought provoking. For example, #Mixed Reception: The good news: Technology has brought us closer together. And yes: this is also the bad news. Thank you GoodReads for the book.

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