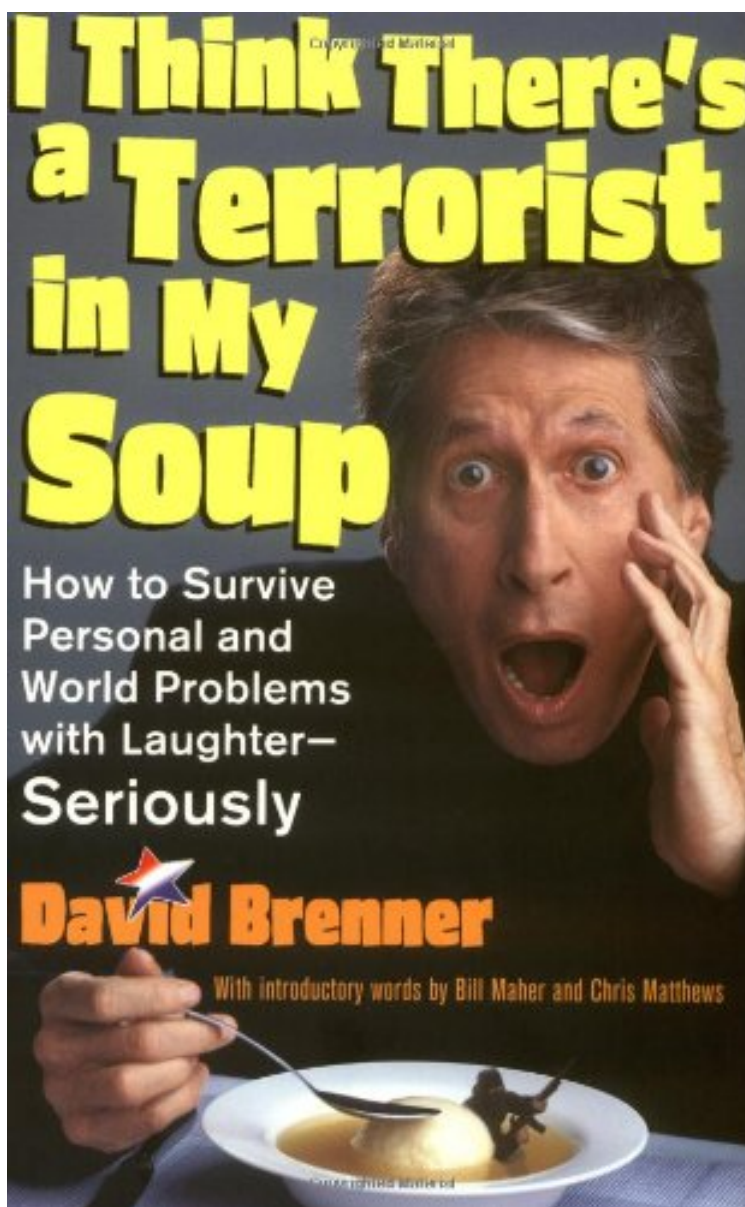


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"I know why I'm here. I have a contract. I have no idea why you're here, but it has been said that laughter is the best medicine, and Americans have never needed that medicine more than they do tonight. So let me be your doctor." -- David Brenner's opening line, performing in Las Vegas on the evening of September 11, 2001On September 11, 2001, veteran comedian David Brenner was in the midst of a "cushy" 44-week stand-up gig in Las Vegas. The next day, he instructed his agent to book him on an eighteen-month nationwide tour. He called it the "Laughter to the People" tour, and on it he shared his humor with a grieving nation. Audience response was overwhelming. In *I Think There's a Terrorist in My Soup: How to Survive Personal and World Problems with Laughter* -- Seriously, Brenner draws partially on highlights from his tour's stand-up material to show how humor can give us the power to transcend personal and world problems from the unavoidable, like aging, to the uncontrollable, like war. The essays in the book cover a wide range of issues, including fear of flying, going bald, marriage and divorce, pets, politics, terrorism, losing and gaining weight, money problems, and religion. Each chapter begins with a brief introduction and then goes right to the heart of the material, much of which has been well tested on Brenner's nightclub and television audiences. With a sharp humor and healthy doses of humanity, *I Think There's a Terrorist in My Soup: How to Survive Personal and World Problems with Laughter* -- Seriously can't help but heal its readers.

From Publishers WeeklyVeteran comedian Brenner (Soft Pretzels with Mustard) serves up a voluminous collection of shtick and anecdote. An inhaler of current events and contemporary life, Brenner can wring humor-sometimes inspired, sometimes hokey-out of a wide range of topics, from sex and marriage to sports and dentists. He declares that Californians supported the Green Party's Ralph Nader because they thought they'd get green cards. Now a parent, Brenner will get laughs for his account of how parents unconsciously let baby talk slip into their professional life. The material relating to the post-September 11 United States is hit-and-miss and can verge on the non sequitur. But his anecdotes about airline security snafus hit home because they're based on personal experience, such as when his six-year-old son's baseball cap lining was ripped open. Brenner can be amusingly hardheaded-the best time of your life isn't "right now," it "never gets better than twenty-one." The book can be didactic; Brenner regularly provides "here's why this is funny" commentary, or lectures on finding the humor in small traumas. But he often can do that, such as when he comforted a child distraught by an emergency plane landing by gently needling her, "I heard this is entirely your fault." It should be a good value for Brenner's many fans. Copyright 2003 Reed Business Information, Inc. Highly recommended (Library Journal)From the Back Cover"Researchers claim that people who enjoy laughing have less stress and live longer. If true, this book by David Brenner could add a few years to your life." (Johnny Carson); "At the end of the night, when all the comics would finish their shows and get together at a deli or restaurant, David Brenner would sit at the head of the table, hold court, and be the funniest one there. In this new book he gets to say all the things he couldn't say on the late night talk shows." (Jay Leno); "David has always poked holes in conventional wisdom. With this book he obliterates the old adage that comedians don't stay sharp after their legends are secured." (Dennis Miller); "The reason God rested on the seventh day, after busting his celestial hump to create the universe, was only because he knew that one day, David Brenner, gifted with twisted wisdom and extraordinary humor, would come along and finish the impossible task of making incredible sense of the inevitable insanity and help keep us all from going crazy simply by laughing our asses off." (Richard Lewis); "David Brenner has always had solutions for all of life's problems. They all make sense and they are all funny. Let him solve everything. You just sit back and laugh and enjoy." (Regis Philbin)