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## Early Comments

*"Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense" should be must reading, not just for every college freshman but for anyone who wants to think clearly and rationally. As someone who taught college-level logic and critical Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking thinking classes for more than two decades, I found the book fascinating from cover to cover and a real aid to my own understanding. By Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking the time one finishes the book one is bound to have a far better understanding of why the leading intellects of every age have so often gotten it wrong. More importantly, the careful reader of the book will be far better equipped to guard against such blunders in his or her own thinking.*

- Doug Erlandson, Ph.D., author, Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking assistant professor of philosophy, University of Nebraska (retired)

*"In this compulsively readable work J. Steve Miller and Cherie K. Miller offer an invaluable tour of critical thinking and life wisdom. Countless fascinating anecdotes keep the reader turning the pages, and every story has a lesson Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking to teach, an insight to bestow. Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense is an ideal handbook for wise living in the twenty-first century."*

- Randal Rauser, Ph.D., philosopher, author and professor at Taylor Seminary, Alberta, Canada

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*With poignant examples, organized contentions, and dry wit, Miller's book is a mental rout that will turn exclamation points into question marks.*

- Orin C. Davis, Ph.D., Lecturer in Critical and Creative Thinking at the University of Massachusetts, Boston

*From birth, I was taught Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking to mindlessly believe whatever the smartest and most successful people said. This book taught me to learn from everyone, Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking but to think for myself. Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking Often, the author tells fascinating stories to make his Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking points, so that Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking even deep concepts are easy to understand and remember. Do you want to learn how to think Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking for yourself? Read this book.*

- Katarina Kocsisova, college freshman

*I suppose everyone will be CEO of something, whether it be a little league team, a Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking family, or a multinational corporation. To be successful, leaders must assimilate information, weigh advice, and in short, THINK. Beyond helping us to recognize our flawed thinking, Miller provides a thorough roadmap to thinking more accurately and creatively. And fortunately for reluctant readers, he uses entertaining and insightful stories to make the subject matter come to life.*

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-Reade Cody, author, Why Brilliant People Believe Nonsense: A Practical Text For Critical and Creative Thinking entrepreneur and president of Angellink, AccountLink and Peoplink

*Engaging, thought-provoking, and surprisingly...fun! Requiring students to master this book before taking my courses in law and business ethics would make my job so much easier.*

- Dr. Fred Jones, professor at Louisiana College, Supreme Court attorney, author and speaker

*"Brilliant! Every high school senior and college freshman should devour this book!"*

- Dr. Robert McGinnis, educator and author

*"High school proved that I can retain information long enough to pass tests, but with this book I have started learning how to critically think through issues and find the real truth in information."*

- Nick Dodenhoff, college sophomore

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*"The author has a way of writing that comes across very personal, like he genuinely cares about helping his readers in their quest for wisdom. I seldom sense that degree of passion and compassion in the books I read."*

- Erica Lundak, college sophomore

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