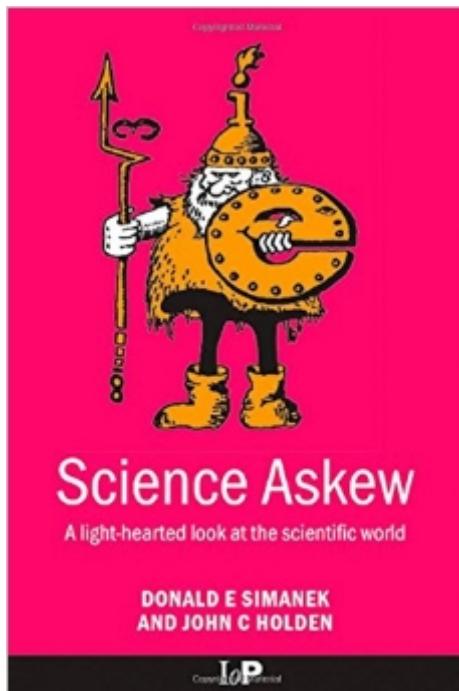


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I wrote and published this review in *The Journal of Irreproducible Results*, the science humor magazine, vol. 48 #4, November 2004: If you like JIR, you'll love *Science Askew*. Science satires, cartoons, puns, and parodies range from chapter-long tales down to punchy 1-liners. Among the rules of the lab:^{*} Experiments must be reproducible; they should fail the same way each time.^{*} Experience is directly proportional to equipment ruined.^{*} Teamwork is essential; it allows you to blame someone else. My reaction upon reading most of the articles was "we should run this item in JIR!". But we reprinted an entire chapter in the last issue, and we published 2 of the articles (by the illustrator, retired geologist John C. Holden) in the 1970s, and the whole thing is already in a nifty package - this book. From the computer expert's glossary:^{*} On-line: The idea that a human being should always be accessible to a computer.^{*} Machine-Independent Program: A program that will not run on any machine.^{*} Documentation: Instructions translated from Swedish by Japanese for

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