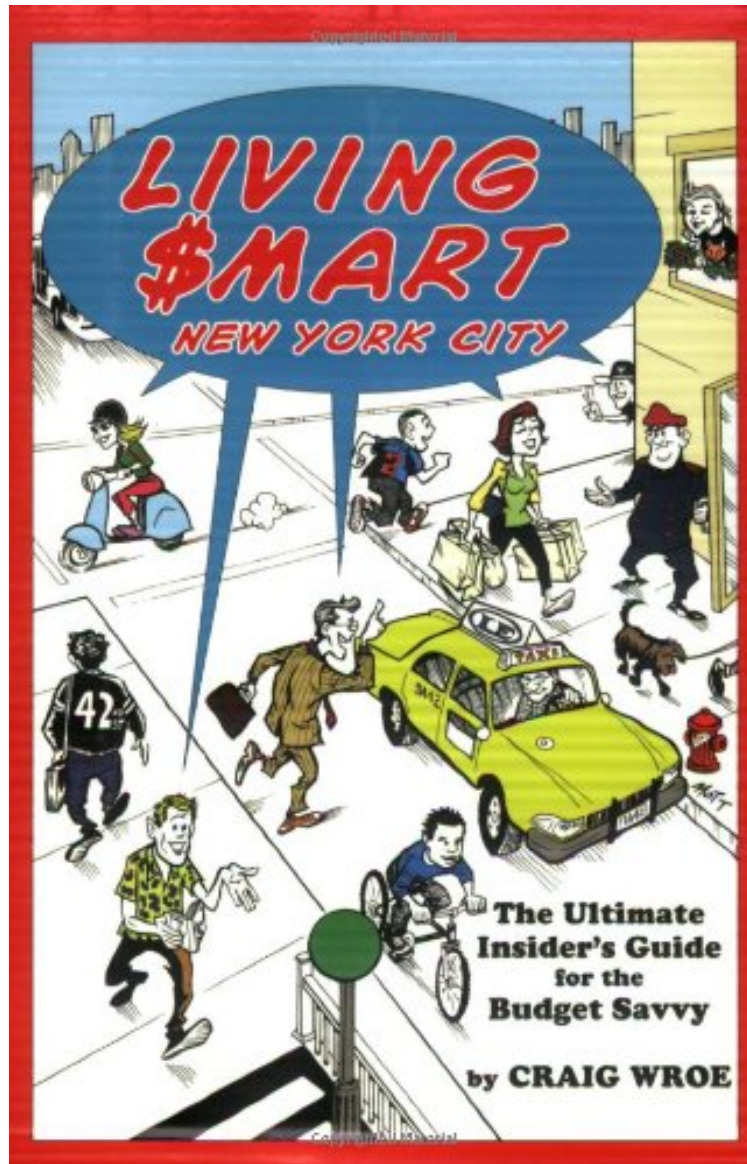


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New York City is proud of its Donald Trumps and Woody Allens, its Matthew Brodericks and Sammy Sosas, but the backbone of our great teeming metropolis is made up of teachers and salesmen, cashiers and consultants, actors and cab drivers, public defense lawyers and personal trainers. With these people in mind, actor/teacher and 20-year New York City veteran Craig Wroe pounded the pavement with notebook in hand, traveling all over the city comparison shopping. When he found stores that were giving people a fair break on price and product and service providers that understand the value of offering more for less, he wrote down their names, addresses and details in his Big Book. This valuable directory is a virtual treasure trove of New York City consumer information and offers expert guidance in such areas as: Getting Settled--housing, banking, phone services, video rental Staying Healthy--health insurance, therapy, low-cost veterinary services and clinics Personal and Professional Resources--unions/guilds, computer training, rehearsal spaces Shopping--wine/spirits, clothing, furniture, photographers, flowers, street fairs and sample sales All Work and No Play--museums, galleries, grand opera and guerilla theater For this revised edition every chapter has been updated and expanded and several new listings have been added, such as "frugal living" websites, important/emergency phone numbers, ways to avoid health insurance scams, inexpensive yoga and meditation classes, and much more. Web addresses, where available, have been added. Five stars on Amazon.com, highlighted on The Drama Book Shop best-seller list, "always-in-stock" status at Barnes Noble and rave customer reviews say it all: Living Smart--New York City: The Ultimate Insider's Guide for the Budget Savvy is a must-have for newcomers, urban dilettantes and life-long dwellers of our great city. If you have to choose between purchasing a good haircut or a good meal, then you need this book!

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