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Synopsis

When words of love do not come to you on their own, then read these letters. Complete, actual love letters of great men like Lord Byron, John Keats and Voltaire. Leaders like Henry VIII, George Washington, and Napoléon, who wrote to his beloved Joséphine, 'I awake consumed with thoughts of you...' Artists like van Gogh, Mozart, and Beethoven, who famously penned, 'Though still in bed, my thoughts go out to you, my Immortal Beloved...' Dozens of intimate letters, coupled with over a score of period illustrations. Plus fascinating biographies, and insights into the couples' relationships-how they got there, the obstacles they faced, and what happened next. Poet warriors, from the first through the twentieth century, including: Ovid, Sir Walter Raleigh, Goethe, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Leo Tolstoy, Victor Hugo, Shelley, Robert Browning, Edgar Allen Poe, Mark Twain, Lewis Carroll, Pierre Curie, George Bernard Shaw, Jack London, Admiral Peary, Woodrow Wilson, and many more.

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I have so far had 3 different editions of Love Letters of Great Men, this being the second and possibly the worst. It appears to be the most popular which is why I bought it but I can't understand why so many people would put up with something which is obviously rushed and clumsily put together. Just look at the contents for a start - why are some names only listed with a surname -

Shelley, Goethe, Kafka etc and others have their full names - George Bernard Shaw? The Index is even worse with some authors listed by their first name! And why don't the contents match up with what is actually in the book?! And the spelling, don't even get me started - it's Edgar Allan Poe not Edgar Allen Poe! It's shambolic. Didn't anyone even do a basic proofread before sending it to the printers? And what's with the Vincent van Gogh letter being in there? The only existing letter was written to his brother after he had just been rejected by his cousin. This is the entire thing:Life has become very dear to me, and I am very glad that I love. My life and my love are one. "But you are faced with a `no, never never'" is your reply. My answer to that is, "Old boy, for the present I look upon that `no, never never' as a block of ice which I press to my heart to thaw."This is not a love letter! If it is then also in this book should be all of the magnificent letters which great men have written to their friends, friends of their loved ones, the family of their loved ones, their own family members, future mothers and fathers-in-law, letters asking for permission to marry their love, letters expressing their love not to the person they actually love but to other people! And Lewis Carroll? Ewww all of those letters were written to children!

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