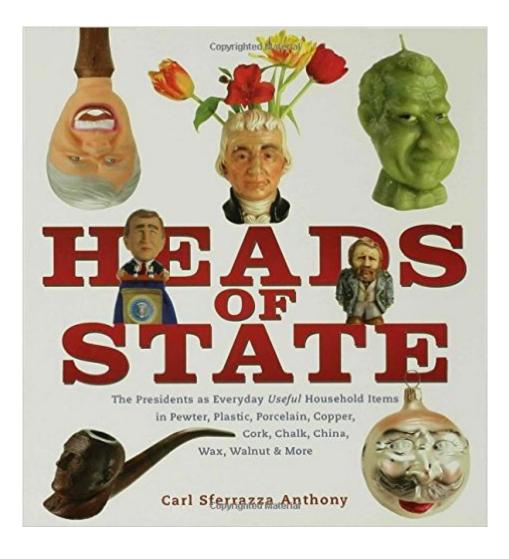
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This has got to be the stupidest book ever written on the planet! Who the hell cares about

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