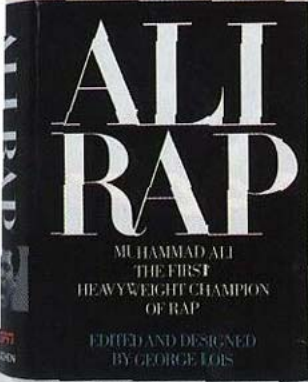


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**Sigh, more stuff about Ali being the best thing ever. Isn't his ego large enough as it is?** You'll love the sycophantic dribbling in the preface that insinuates that Muhammad Ali invented rapping. **That's not true at all is it?** Well no, it's not. Thankfully all is not lost, as we get the best of Ali's considerable wit and wisdom, as well as some questionable racial politics: 'Blackbirds fly with blackbirds, you don't mix apples and oranges.'

**Hmm, that's a bit off isn't it?** Yes, of course it is, but at least we get the whole picture of the man as opposed to the saintly image we normally get. **Good point, so what is there here that separates this from the other Ali books?** Great photography and original design. It's a bit of a coffee table book but as coffee table books go this one ain't half bad.

