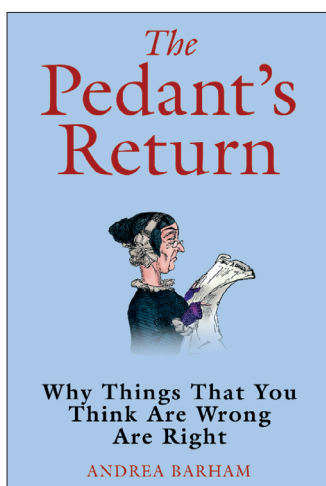


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- Oysters used to be the food of the poor
- In medieval times, blackbirds were indeed baked in a pie

About the Author

Author **Andrea Barham** is the acceptable face of pedantry; having set many wrongs to rights in her earlier book *The Pedant's Revolt*, she is now turning her hand to teaching the world that some things, no matter how implausibly wrong they sound, are actually right. *The Pedant's Return* is her sixth book.

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