

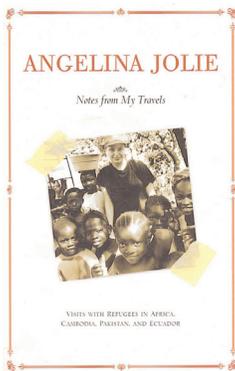
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# I will be the one to end poverty

**Angelina Jolie:** I'm an extremely hot Oscar Nominee.

**A.J.** I have personally hugged or posed in photos with over fifteen thousand actual poor people in the last month alone.

**A.J.** I'm unbelievably hot. I inspire X-rated video games and I even made pregnant look fuckable.

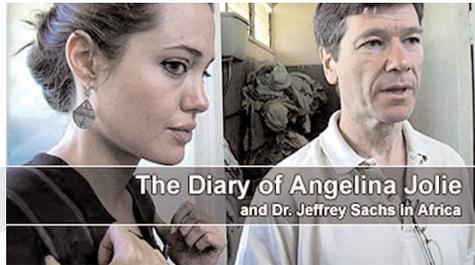


**A.J.** At this rate, I will have adopted all of Africa by next Thursday.

**A.J.** My book has way more poor people on its cover than yours.

**A.J.** I have help from Brad Pitt. If he could end a relationship with Jennifer Aniston, then he sure as hell can help me figure out how to end poverty.

**Angelina Jolie** **Jeffrey Sachs**



# No, in fact, it is I who will end poverty

**Jeffrey Sachs:** I'm an extremely intelligent economist.

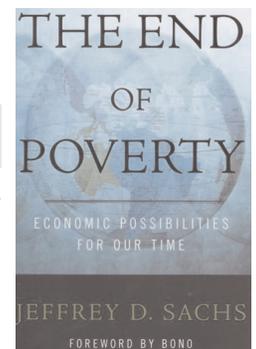
**J.S.** I've dedicated a lifetime of academic research to the topic and seriously, I'm the smartest person I know.

**J.S.** If you must know, my wife and I have a fantastic sex life.

**J.S.** I'm literally, quite possibly the smartest man alive. Ever.

**J.S.** The foreward to my book was written by Bono!

**J.S.** With the financial success of my book, I'm ending poverty one person at a time. Also Bill Clinton owes me one hundred trillion dollars. That ought to be enough.



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# Pluto iz so a planet



**Snoop Dogg**

That ain't right. That's just bad astrofizzo.

And besides, they just discovered Pluto has 2 new moons! Now maybe I smoked a little too much hiz-zle dizzle back in the fizzle dizzle, but when you gots as many moons as I got jzoints ready to go, you iz a planet, fo shizzle.

So for reals now, Clyde Tombaugh spotted the thing back in nineteen thirty 'fo or something. Fucking wit' old ass shit only means trouble. Grandfatha tha muthafucka in. That's all I gots to say.

Pluto iz so a planet, yo. You wanna tell my 3rd grader and every textbook in the world that they gots to redizzle the solar sizzle just cuz some old dudes and maybe one lady said so at a meeting in Prague?

# No it's not, Dogg



**Eminem**

Pluto is clearly just the largest, brightest, closest, Kuiper belt object, which accounts for its early detection. It lacks the gravitational radius to sweep out material intersecting its own orbit, and it only holds onto its atmosphere for a small part of its journey around the sun. If we included objects like

Pluto, which are merely large enough to become spherical under their own gravity, then we would need to add upwards of two hundred new objects to the list of planets. In my professional opinion, this would rob the definition of the word "planet" of most of its explanatory power.

In some sense, all such definitions are arbitrary, and as scientists, we have to draw the line somewhere. We simply can't let our own personal historical bias get in the way of much needed progressive advances in astrophysical nomenclature.

