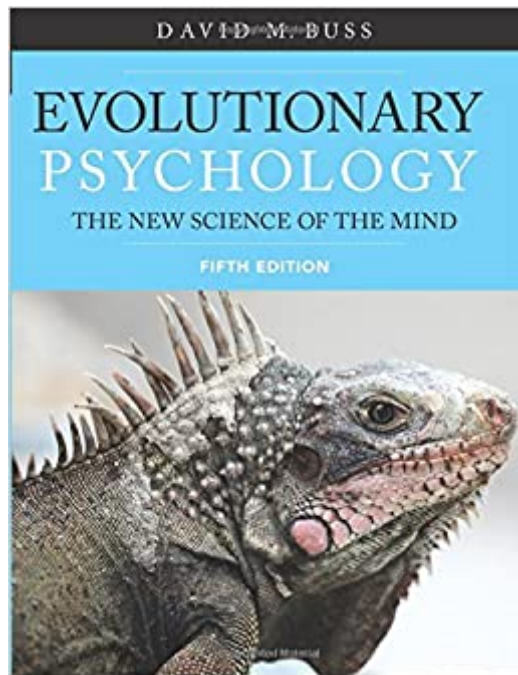




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# **Evolutionary Psychology: The New Science Of The Mind**



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Â This book examines human psychology and behavior through the lens of modern evolutionary psychology. *Evolutionary Psychology: The New Science of the Mind*, 5/e provides students with the conceptual tools of evolutionary psychology, and applies them to empirical research on the human mind. Content topics are logically arrayed, starting with challenges of survival, mating, parenting, and kinship; and then progressing to challenges of group living, including cooperation, aggression, sexual conflict, and status, prestige, and social hierarchies. Students gain a deep understanding of applying evolutionary psychology to their own lives and all the people they interact with.

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enjoys extensive cross-cultural research collaborations and lectures widely within the United States and abroad.

The text I have is the second edition from 2003. Given that the field is relatively new, I suspect the newest edition has expanded a lot on the earlier ones. I give the book four stars because it is a good textbook, but Buss seems to be stretching things out to get to 30 pages in several of the chapters, even going so far as to say the same thing and cite the same studies in different chapters. It was a very easy to read text and was actually very similar to my "Animal Behavior" text by Alcock, and in fact, I would say that is a better text than this one for understanding evolutionary psychology. Again, I suspect later editions of "Evolutionary Psychology" have more human specific papers to cite than the 2003 edition (which relied heavily on animal studies), but I don't know. Overall a decent text and highly insightful for anyone new to the field.

I have every edition of this text, and each one was worth buying. I have only begun reading it, but already I have found excellent explanations that struck me as new, but, in some cases, perhaps I just forgot similar passages from earlier editions. Nevertheless, David is always worth reading.

If you are new to EvPsy, then this book is quite useful and informative. However, if you seek philosophical debates and analyses in this controversial field, you will be disappointed. I liked the book a lot because while I have read a lot on Darwinian evolution, evolutionary psychology is a new subject for me.

This book is in a college curriculum and it shows. Very good layout of the contents in the chapters whereas the chapters cover a broad range of topics in this area. Very informative.

At the time of publication this was a great overview of the field of evolutionary psychology. I used the book for leisure reading, but it would be good course material as well. Definitely a necessity in any well rounded library.

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I am not taking this class and haven't in years. But I do remember really enjoying this text book! I bought it to reread. I love evo psychology and use it on a daily basis. There is a new edition available, but I always come back to the old one. :)

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