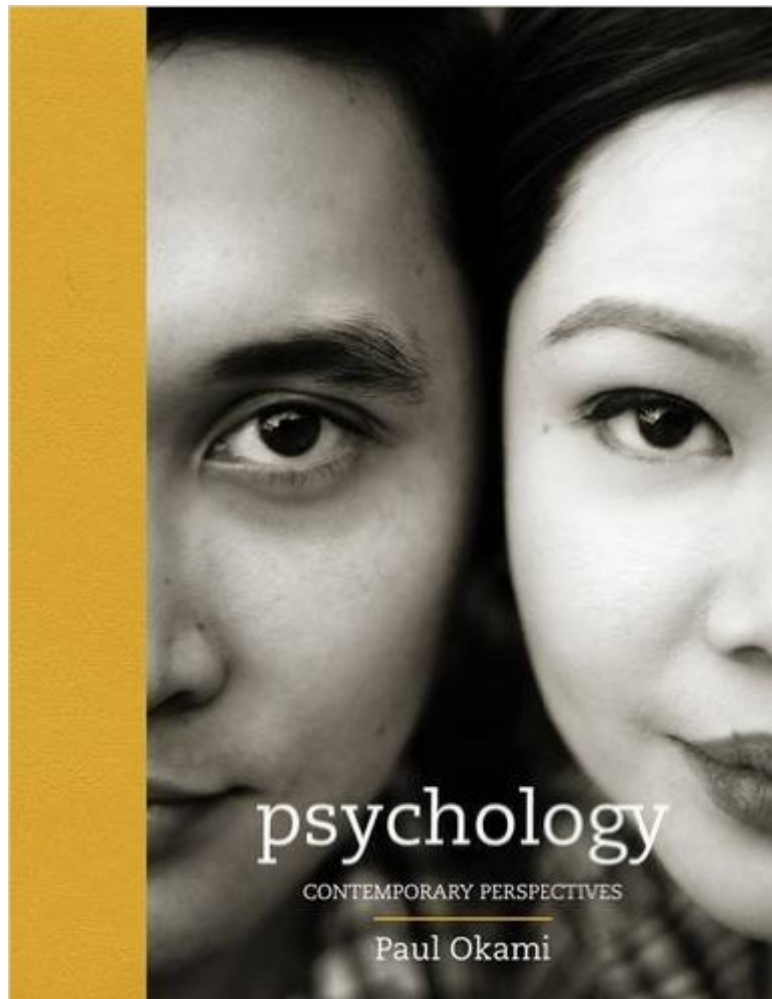


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# Psychology: Contemporary Perspectives



## Synopsis

Research-based but highly accessible, this fresh, contemporary, and engaging volume helps students appreciate the science of psychology and understand how its principles apply to their own lives.

**FEATURES**  
**CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES, NOT JUST CONTEMPORARY REFERENCES** Giving careful consideration to the field's historical foundations, *Psychology: Contemporary Perspectives* provides a unique balance of traditional and contemporary perspectives. This approach invites students to develop a modern appraisal of psychology.

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I must say I love this text book. It's very well structured and written; definitely makes you want to read more. There is a lot of information packed into it, but just like professor said, if you consider a future career in the field of psychology, you'd better read every word in it. And I totally agree. So far I'm up to chapter 6 and I truly enjoy studying from it. I definitely recommend it.

I purchased this textbook for my Introduction to Psychology class. First of all, it arrived safely and in new condition as I requested. The information was extensive and the content corresponded to each section. As an introduction book, it provides a lot of information for readers interested in pursuing Psychology or related fields, ranging from cognitive psychology to human sexuality. I would definitely recommend this book for introductory Psychology courses with its various chapters correlating to different Psychology fields.

Description very accurate and arrived way earlier than stated!

It did everything it was supposed to do and more. However I recommend not leaving any notes or flashcards behind in the textbook.

does the book come with a "bonus chapter?" I am required to get the copy with it.

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