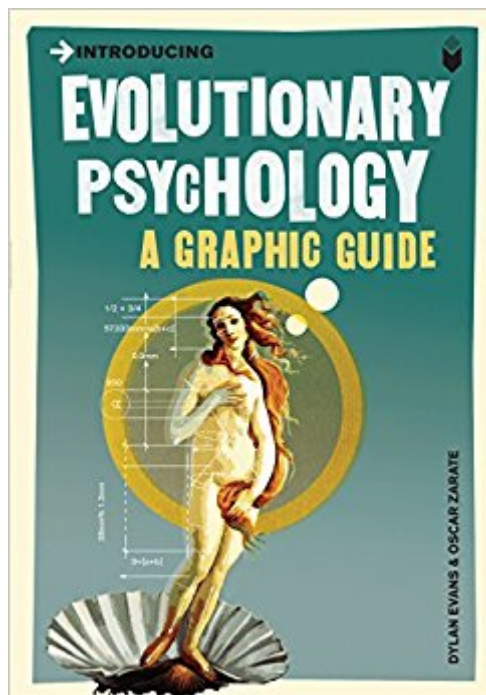




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I like the pictures in the book. So entertaining yet so enlightening. But it took so long to download due to the file size, I suppose. The price is about right and convenient. So that is why think it deserve a five stars rating. I will recommend this to my friends with the same interest.

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A good introduction for people with virtually no previous knowledge. I enjoy these graphic intros even though I know that they are not academic texts and should not be overly criticized for their brevity. However, nothing is said about the origins of human violence towards other humans and religious behavior. It seems to me that these aspects of human behavior would have strong roots in our evolutionary past. Why are we so violent? Why do we persist in believing in imaginary beings? And related - why, if we are evolved from egalitarian group behavior, are we so brutally insensitive to our fellow man? Many more questions are generated than answered. This is a good thing, but still, I feel that something was lacking. The reading list at the end of the book is not likely to answer these questions either. I was left wondering if there were political reasons for not addressing these concerns

I find this book to be a worthy read - because it underscores a valuable paradigm awareness. Contrary to one previous review, I feel that its lack depth yields conciseness, which enhances its benefit. You get a broader view of evolutionary psychology addressing a deeper sense of how over vast expanses of Time, Nature has adapted humanity towards better chances of survival, and how that manifests in our psyche. Focusing stage by stage on these psychological upgrades, and providing descriptions of our "wiring" adaptations leave the reader with a pragmatic paradigm that is very helpful in accepting - or sometimes in changing - your perceptions of human behavior. Highly recommended.

This is an excellent introduction to the field. I highly recommend it to many people I meet. Michael Beitler, Ph.D.

Simple explanation. I need to understand more of evolutionary psychology to know whether this is a balanced view or not.

I give the book an average review because I have not read it yet. I REALLY should. I am hopeful.

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