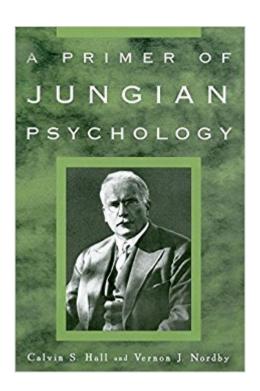


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A Primer Of Jungian Psychology





Synopsis

The contributions of Carl Jung to understanding of the human psyche are immense. Starting as Freud's most famous disciple, Jung soon broke away from his mentor to follow his own lines of investigation and discovery. Many of Jung's ideas are now considered fundamentals in the study of the mind, but other, more controversial theories dealing with the psychological relevance of alchemy, ESP, astrology, and occultism are only now being seriously examined. This condensation and summary of Jung's life and work by two eminent psychology professors is written with deep understanding and extraordinary clarity and, along with its companion volume, A Primer Of Jungian Psychology is essential reading for anyone interested in the hidden depths of the mind.

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Customer Reviews

Calvin S. Hall held teaching posts at several universities including Case-Western Reserve, Syracuse University, the University of Miami, Reserve University, and was Professor Emeritus at the University of California in Santa Cruz.

I always keep my reviews short so here it goes. I thoroughly enjoyed this book. This is not even close to being a book that will let you understand the totality of Jung and his works, but it clearly isn't meant to be that. This book, instead, is a wonderful introduction to Jungian Psychology. If you are wanting to utilize or understand some of his basic tenets, while not wanting to delve deeply into this subject, this book is for you. I thoroughly enjoyed this book and would recommend it to anyone interested in Jungian Psychology but unsure where to start.

I had to get this book for a class in College, and overall it's a pretty interesting read. I will say that there's a lot of information in it that will really sound weird to some, but for the use of the class, it was very helpful.

Despite being a bit of a hagiography, the book is an excellent primer for Jungian psychology. It delivers exactly what it purports to deliver.

the authors don't know Jung's work well enough and give an unconvincing and unstimulating presentation of most areas of his work. There must be a better introduction than this. Man and His Symbols is much more interesting, but does not attempt to be comprehensive. This does attempt that and fails quite frequently. Summarizing Jung's vast work would be a daunting task. But a real Jungian analyst like Murray Stein must have done a better job of it.

I've bought, over the past 20 years, at least 12 copies of this book: three for myself (I left mine at home twice, and I like to have it with me on the road) and the others for friends. It's incredibly well written and concise, and will open your mind in ways you never thought possible, if this is your first Jungian read. If you're already well introduced to Jungian concepts, this is a great little travel book, or quick reference manual, so to speak. Highly recommended!

I've never had that much of an interest in psychology, though recently I took an interest in looking at Jung's work because I found myself constantly running into his name via brief mentions by various philosophers and theologians. I found Calvin Hall's text to be very well written and easily understood. Overall, I would say I came away from the book with a little more understanding of exactly who Jung was and what some of his major contributions were.

Great explanation of the Jung basics for the layperson.

Great addition to my course requirements on cinema and psychological undercurrents at Palo Alto College for Spring 2015.

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