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From the Publisher

Readers will learn about that fascinating individuals who helped create and shape the field of psychology. Without ignoring philosophical roots, this book devotes more space to recent history of psychology, especially the past 150 years. Its treatment of philosophy begins in the general vicinity of Descartes and the British Empiricists. Readers will also discover how these historical figures have dealt with the same type of problems that they face today.

From the Back Cover

Discover how past events have shaped psychology as we know it today.

With Goodwin's *A History of Modern Psychology, Second Edition*, you'll learn about the fascinating men and women who helped create and shape the field, and you will develop a deeper understanding of the many interconnections that exist among the different areas of psychology. Goodwin's book not only provides accounts of the lives and contributions of psychology's pioneers, set into historical context; it also contains original writings by these psychologists, interwoven with informative comments from the author.

Now revised, this Second Edition features expanded coverage of historical developments in psychology since the Second World War and many new references. You simply cannot become a literate psychologist without some knowledge of the field's rich history.

Along the way, you'll get to know psychology's best-known pioneers--Watson, James, Titchener, Freud, Skinner, and many others. You will also encounter such fascinating figures as:

- **Sir Francis Galton** (1822-1911), who popularized the nature-nurture debate, which remains a key issue in psychology to this day.
- **Clifford Beers** (1876-1943), a former mental patient who launched the Mental Hygiene movement and promoted the idea that mental illness could be cured (a radical idea in his day).
- **Leta Stetter Hollingworth** (1886-1939), a pioneer in gifted education who also did important research that questioned the existence of gender differences in ability.
- **Kenneth Clark** (b. 1914), the first African-American president of the American Psychological Association, whose studies (with his wife Mamie Phipps Clark) played an important role in the famous 1954 supreme court case (*Brown v. Board of Education*) that paved the way for the civil rights movement of the 1960s.
- **Lillian Moller Gilbreth** (1878-1972), mother of 12 and the first person ever to receive a Ph.D. in Industrial Psychology. She was a groundbreaker in the field of ergonomics.
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