**Synopsis**

Dynamic author team provides comprehensive overview with focus on critical-thinking. The fifth edition continues a heavy focus on applying critical thinking framework in examining, analyzing, and evaluating psychological data. With significant rewriting and additional new topics as well as updated references on new research, Cross-Cultural Psychology keeps pace with the rapidly changing conditions of modern times. The dynamic team from two different worlds bring a unique set of experiences and perceptions in writing this book. Eric Shiraev was raised in the city of Leningrad in the former Soviet Union and David Levy is from Southern California. Between the diverse backgrounds and having each author spent an extended period teaching in the other's home country, the authors provide a comprehensive review of theories and research in cross-cultural psychology. Learning Goals Upon completing this book, readers should be able to: Better understand the field of cross-cultural psychology Understand contemporary theories and research in cross-cultural psychology Use critical thinking to examine, analyze, and evaluate the field of cross-cultural psychology Assist current and future practitioners from a wide variety of fields and services

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**Customer Reviews**

This text has become an invaluable tool for the courses I teach in cross-cultural psychology, both at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Although many books purport to emphasize the integration of critical thinking skills with cross-cultural psychology, this is the only one that does so successfully.
My students consistently rate it favorably, and I give it my highest recommendation.

So refreshing to find a book about cultural diversity that isn’t rife with politically correct mumbo-jumbo. This text emphasizes using critical thinking tools to incisively see through the fog of current academic and social fads and fashions.

Wow, I read this book and then immediately bought one for my sister who is majoring in Psych. This is a great book for anyone (student or otherwise) who is interested in examining the concepts of cross-cultural psychology, its research methods, and how effects of culture influences behavior, development and disorders. This book is easy to comprehend and the exercises are very insightful. Psych books can be dry…this one is very engaging and entertaining!

Although this book has great information about cross-cultural psychology, I felt like it really only skimmed the surface. As a college student that actually reads the assigned chapters, I felt like I really didn’t get a whole lot out of this book except a bunch of background research. Not all of the chapters seem like they’re put together in the most efficient way. Still a good textbook to use if one is needed for a class.

What they do not tell you about the Kindle version is many of the charts and graphs are not in the electronic version due to "copyright" issues. I had to look up many of the charts and appendixes online. Should tell you that up front particularly with a text book.

Cross-Cultural Psychology: Critical Thinking and Contemporary Applications by Shiraev and Levy is an excellent work. I was particularly impressed by the improvements since the 4th edition of this work. As in the earlier editions, the book does not concentrate only on one avenue of study (i.e. theory versus practical application). Rather, through strong explanations and illustrative examples, it gives the reader a clear understanding of the theory, concepts and practical applications of the text. The text is not overly technical, so it is superb for all levels of students to use. I can readily imagine this book being used in counseling, clinical, or general psychology classes. In addition, I would argue that this book, even outside of the classroom, would be an excellent resource to keep on one’s bookshelf. My strongest endorsement stands behind this well written book.

This book provides an excellent overview of cross-cultural psychology including aspects that needto
be taken into consideration when counseling people from different backgrounds from the counselor.

This book explains theories and concepts in a straightforward and applicable manner. It presents the information in a compelling and engaging way that keeps the reader interested. The book also challenges the reader to utilize critical thinking skills and gives excellent realistic examples. Overall, this book is extremely on point, has thorough research and provides enlightening information with regards to cross-cultural psychology. I highly recommend this book!

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