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#### Review

“This book provides an excellent introduction to forensic psychology. It provides an up-to-date and comprehensive coverage of the subject which is broad enough to provide an insight into the wide range of topic areas, but detailed enough for readers to be able to gain a good grasp of the subject and importantly know where to go for more specific reading material.”

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Forensic psychology is a constantly growing discipline, both as a profession for graduates and in terms of student interest. This book highlights the often sizable gap between the media myths surrounding forensic practice and reality. Graham Davies and Anthony Beech present an exciting and broad range of topics within the field including detailed treatments of the causes of crime, investigative methods, the trial process, and interventions with different types of offenders and offences. Written by a mix of leading senior researchers and younger academics, *Forensic Psychology* draws on a wealth of experience in this popular subject area to produce a new edition that will interest and enthuse today's generation of students.

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*Forensic Psychology* is essential reading for undergraduates first encountering the subject area and an excellent introduction for more detailed postgraduate courses. Additional online resource materials including related links, multiple choice questions and PowerPoint slides are available at

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