

Pursuing Human Strengths A Positive Psychology Guide

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kate hefferon and ilona boniwell have done an excellent job on this introduction to positive psychology i encourage educators students and everyone else interested in an updated well written and culturally balanced approach to the scientific study of human flourishing to read this highly accessible yet rigorously crafted text and to get it under your skin by ways of carefully chosen tests and exercises hans henrik knoop aarhus university denmark and president european network for positive psychology this accessible yet comprehensive book provides an excellent new resource in the area of positive psychology students researchers and practitioners alike will benefit from the skilful and lively integration of theory research and application the authors are prominent members of the international positive psychology movement and as such are able to deliver a confident practical and overarching assessment of the area integrated into

psychology more widely angela clow university of westminster uk this is an exceptional book that synthesizes more than a decade of positive psychology research into chapters that are engaging accessible and educational hefferon and boniwell demonstrate a mastery of the literature through the ways in which they have marshaled the evidence from research and practice into this invaluable resource this book will become an essential reference guide for researchers educators and practitioners of positive psychology around the world professor alex linley founding director capp this book is a valuable resource for students looking for an introduction to positive psychology but also wanting to get a comprehensive and updated overview of this innovative approach to the study of human behaviour and experience it provides a broad coverage of the most relevant theories and constructs developed within positive psychology and of their relevance for intervention and application in the most diverse life domains hefferon and boniwell use a rigorous though accessible and friendly style of presentation by means of effective learning supports they stimulate readers active engagement in critical reflections on each topic the authors address the several issues and open questions which still characterize positive psychology as a relatively recent domain through a balanced and objective approach antonella delle fave university of milano italy kate hefferon and ilona boniwell have produced the first textbook which has set out purposefully to support students and teachers in higher education in the exciting new area of positive psychology the authors have experience of teaching the lectures described in each chapter and the book is written in a way that students will find engaging and fun each chapter has clear learning objectives mock essay questions measurement tools summaries and a guide to further resources the content has been well researched and the early chapters cover the main concepts of positive psychology such as emotions happiness wellbeing optimism and resilience the later chapters are more novel and cover interventions and applications all with a critical eye of particular note is the chapter on the body in positive psychology a topic which is frequently omitted from the thoughts and feelings approach of other texts in this area i would strongly recommend this book to all students and teachers of psychology nanette mutrie professor of exercise and sport psychology strathclyde university uk discover the latest research findings and thinking on the topics of happiness flow optimism motivation character strengths love and more find out how happiness levels can be increased what stops us from flourishing and how positive psychology can be applied to many professional disciplines this new textbook combines a breadth of information about positive psychology with reflective questions critical commentary and up to date research it is written in a witty engaging and contemporary manner and includes personal development exercises to help you meld together research and application mock essay questions to get essay writing going think about it boxes to get you thinking about the concepts and theories discussed experiments boxes giving you most influential positive psychology experiments to date suggested resources guiding you where to go next measurement tools presenting popular positive psychology tools time out boxes on key issues concepts and thinkers chapter summaries to help you check their understanding review questions to enhance your learning positive psychology is key reading for students taking modules in positive psychology and well being and will also be of interest to students of applied coaching and sports psychology as well as psychologists coaches counsellors and researchers interested in this burgeoning field

remediating deficits and managing disabilities has been a central preoccupation for clinical psychologists for much of the last half of the 20th century positive psychology in contrast is concerned with the enhancement of happiness and well being this text explores the subject

for educators practitioners researchers and everyone striving for personal growth and a fulfilling life this completely revised edition of a classic in the field provides a unique way to learn about positive psychology and what is right and best about human beings positive psychology at the movies now reviews nearly 1 500 movies includes dozens of evocative film images and is replete with practical aids to learning positive psychology is one of the most important modern developments in psychology films brilliantly illustrate character strengths and other positive psychology concepts and inspire new ways of thinking about human potential positive psychology at the movies uses movies to introduce the latest research practices and concepts in this field of psychology this book systematically discusses each of the 24 character strengths balancing film discussion related psychological research and practical applications practical resources include a syllabus for a positive psychology course using movies films suitable for children adolescents and families and questions likely to inspire classroom and therapy discussions positive psychology at the movies was written for educators students practitioners and researchers but anyone who loves movies and wants to change his or her life will find it inspiring and relevant watching the movies recommended in this book will help the reader practice the skill of strengths spotting in themselves and others and support personal growth and self improvement read this book to learn more about positive psychology and watch these films to become a better person

this book provides an accessible and balanced introduction to positive psychology scholarship and its applications incorporating an overview of the development of positive psychology positive psychology the basics delineates positive psychology s journey as a discipline takes stock of its achievements and provides an updated overview of its core topics exploring the theory research and interventions in each launched as a rebellious discipline just over two decades ago positive psychology challenged the emphasis of applied psychology on disease and dysfunction and offered a new more balanced perspective on human life from its foundations in the late 20th century to recent second wave theories around the importance of recognizing negative emotions this compact overview covers the key ideas and principles from research around emotional wellbeing optimism and change to posttraumatic growth and positive relationships the first jargon free introduction to the subject hart introduces the reader to a range of issues including self regulation and flow character strengths and virtues and positive relationships concluding with a chapter on how interventions can affect happiness and wellbeing positive psychology the basics is an essential resource for students practitioners academics and anyone who is interested in understanding the essence of a life well lived

positive psychology the scientific and practical explorations of human strengths comprehensively covers the science and application of positive psychology the

book brings positive psychology to life by illustrating issues such as how psychological strength can help increase positive outcomes in school and the workplace and promote cooperative relationships among people furthermore the book encourages readers to engage with concepts in order to understand positive emotions and strengths such as empathy altruism gratitude attachment and love over 50 case studies grounded in practice research and the authors teaching experience reveal how positive psychological phenomena operate in the lives of real people the fourth edition continues to integrate cultural context in every chapter to reflect the diversity in today s world

this volume is a comprehensive review of theoretical and empirical contributions to positive psychology it provides a scientific understanding of how human strengths help people psychologically and physically showing how stressful circumstances do not inexorably lead to negative prognoses it examines how individuals confront challenges appreciate others and regard daily experiences as meaningful many of the chapters also challenge the negative disease model approach that dominates much of the research concerning health and well being chapters also address applications and future directions for the field the broad scope makes it a key resource for undergraduates graduates researchers and practitioners in social clinical and positive psychology

positive psychology is the scientific study of what goes right in life from birth to death and at all stops in between it is a newly christened approach within psychology that takes seriously the examination of that which makes life most worth living everyone s life has peaks and valleys and positive psychology does not deny the valleys its signature premise is more nuanced but nonetheless important what is good about life is as genuine as what is bad and therefore deserves equal attention from psychologists positive psychology as an explicit perspective has existed only since 1998 but enough relevant theory and research now exist to fill a textbook suitable for a semester long college course a primer in positive psychology is thoroughly grounded in scientific research and covers major topics of concern to the field positive experiences such as pleasure and flow positive traits such as character strengths values and talents and the social institutions that enable these subjects as well as what recent research might contribute to this knowledge every chapter contains exercises that illustrate positive psychology a glossary suggestions of articles and books for further reading and lists of films websites and popular songs that embody chapter themes a comprehensive overview of positive psychology by one of the acknowledged leaders in the field this textbook provides students with a thorough introduction to an important area of psychology

positive psychology brings together a range of research and a comprehensive review of the more recent work and lessons learned since the founder s original vision of this field organised into five sections an introduction positive experiences personality processes external influences and applications this text provides a thorough introduction to an interesting and challenging area in psychology with a final look at the future of positive psychology and its potential to inform social

change and how useful this knowledge can be when considering the well being of entire societies this text is an enlightening read and invaluable resources for students strongly guided by empirical work this text encourages the reader to think critically and go beyond the facts key features provides a framework for teaching and understanding global trends in positive psychology inclusion and a review of up to date research using storytelling and happiness s intrinsic appeal to foster interest in the methods we use to answer important questions in positive psychology online resources including student self tests and links to additional web content

the best general introduction to positive psychology available dr alex linley university of leicester uk dr ilona boniwell is recognized as europe s leading researcher innovator and thinker in the expanding world of positive psychology positive psychology in a nutshell offers something for everyone with an interest in discovering how to live optimally this brilliant little book is packed with scientific evidence identifying the key ingredients that help to create a happy life read it and learn how to change yours for the better dr cecilia d felice consultant psychologist author and columnist for the times and the metro positive psychology in a nutshell is a little gem of a book beautifully and engagingly written and having the marks of a cogent teacher who has mastered the contemporary structure bounds and outreach of her field this is a must read and a welcome antidote for all those engaged in the caring professions richard whitfield human development specialist educator poet and chairman of trustees of the face to face trust as good an introduction to positive psychology as you can read a must read book for all those involved in the education and health industries dr anthony seldon master wellington college berkshire uk positive psychology in a nutshell is a comprehensive user friendly thoughtful introduction and critique of the field simply put it is the best overview out there that can be read in a couple of sittings those with no psychology background find it fascinating and informative those with serious credentials find it to be a credible overview and critique of the field dr carol kauffman co founder and director of the coaching and positive psychology initiative harvard medical school usa in a nutshell i could scarcely put down this intelligent balanced and irresistible introduction to positive psychology dr sean cameron co director practitioner doctorate in educational psychology university college london uk it is very readable seductively so and is no doubt as good an introduction to the subject as you can get emotional wellbeing is complex and there are useful insights here to shore up the flabby phrases tossed around by politicians there are some parts of this book i will use and anyone who wants to find out about positive psychology should start here mike shooter is a child psychiatrist and president of bacp uk when you hear the words positive psychology or the science of well being do you wonder what it s all about what makes us fulfilled and is happiness necessary for a good life discover the latest thinking on the topics of happiness flow optimism motivation character strengths and love and learn how to apply it to your life ilona boniwell presents an engaging overview of the science of optimal functioning and well being which combines real readability with a broad academic base applied to day to day life now fully updated and enhanced with new material on how to change your mindset practice mindfulness develop better resilience enhance your well being at work adopt positive leadership introducing positive psychology in a friendly straightforward way this international bestseller is peppered with many simple tools

and tips for daily living that will help you love your life

the handbook of positive psychology provides a forum for examining the more positive side of the human condition in its pages readers are treated to an analysis of what the foremost experts believe to be the fundamental strengths of humankind it looks at the power and vitality of the human spirit as it faces a multitude of life challenges the handbook is the first systematic attempt to bring together leading scholars to give voice to the emerging field of positive psychology

why do some people achieve greater success and happiness than others the key is positive psychology for most of its history psychology has focused mainly on the darker side of human behaviour depression anxiety psychosis and psychopathic behaviour in 1998 martin seligman became president of the american psychological association and inspired a movement to focus on the positives in human behaviour positive psychology for dummies taps into the burgeoning media focus on happiness and positive mental attitude provides key information on the origins theory methods practitioners and results of positive psychology demonstrates how to understand what makes you tick how to hone positive emotions and how to use positive philosophy for success in both your personal and working lives is perfect for a wide audience from those wanting to get more out of their life to psychology students or counsellors about the author gladeana mcMahon is co author of performance coaching for dummies she is regarded as one of the uk s top ten coaches averil leimon is co author of performance coaching for dummies she is a business psychologist and a leading uk leadership coach

if you think you know what positive psychology is think again this book offers a new integrative vision for making life better that takes in the body and the brain culture and society childhood and development a must read for students stephen joseph university of nottingham captures the best of the positive psychology initiative and most importantly translates it to practice the authors bring remarkable depth and breadth to the subject matter and do so in a way that is fresh engaging relevant and unusually thoughtful carol ryff university of wisconsin madison if you want to understand what positive psychology really is learn how it works in practice and discover its huge potential to transform our lives and our world then look no further than this superb book i really can t recommend it highly enough mark williamson director of action for happiness this exciting new textbook written by leading academics in the uk offers the very first authored title on applied positive psychology for university courses consisting of the latest cutting edge theory and research in the subject and structured around a pioneering multidimensional model of wellbeing this book will provide you with the knowledge and tools to apply positive psychology in many areas of life these include interventions aimed at developing mental and physical functioning to recommendations for enhancing relationships and reshaping organisational structures the book shows how these practices can be successfully deployed in diverse real world settings from the classroom to the workplace key features

include learning objectives set out at the start of each chapter practice essay questions throughout and quizzes to test your knowledge at the end of each chapter useful measurement tools and recommendations for research summary boxes and suggested further reading and resources case studies and reflection boxes that invite you to explore topics in greater depth and relate findings to your everyday life this book will be essential reading for all students with an interest in or studying a course in applied positive psychology and is strongly recommended to students taking a wider course in positive psychology and the psychology of happiness and wellbeing

happiness is the ultimate goal for so many of us but why does it often feel like a destination that is completely unreachable everybody wants a better life yet for so long we have been looking in all the wrong places and directing our focus outwards for solutions that can only be found on the inside in now is your chance niyc pidgeon offers the missing piece of the puzzle to help you stop chasing your joy and finally start feeling it grounded in niyc's training as a positive psychologist and her many years of coaching experience now is your chance offers a 30 day guide to creating powerful purposeful and meaningful change it does not require any external resources there is nothing new to buy sign up for or schedule and no other person to call on you already have everything you need to start and succeed inspiring motivating and practical this programme shows you how to create a life filled with authentic and lasting joy with this book you have no excuse to put off your happiness until tomorrow now is your chance

the oxford handbook of positive psychology is the seminal reference in the field of positive psychology which continues to transcend the boundaries of academia to capture the imagination of the general public almost 20 years after the first publication of this groundbreaking reference this new third edition showcases how positive psychology is thriving in diverse contexts and fields of psychology consisting of 68 chapters of the most current theory and research this updated handbook provides an unparalleled cross disciplinary look at positive psychology from diverse fields and all branches of psychology including social clinical personality counseling health school and developmental psychology several new chapters are included which highlight the latest research on positive psychology and neuroscience as well as growing areas for applications of positive psychology

positive psychology for improving mental health and well being has been prepared conforming to the standard graduation syllabus in psychology the subject matter covered is also relevant to management studies besides it will be of immense help to civil service aspirants with psychology as an optional subject chapters on flow and happiness emotional intelligence stress management and helping positivity will fascinate and enrich the inquisitive mind of general readers moreover this book can also be used as a self help book to improve mental health and well being

positive psychology is currently equated with theory and research on the positive aspects of life the reality could not be further from the truth positive psychology investigates and researches some of the most difficult and painful experiences second wave positive psychology embracing the dark side of life is an innovative and groundbreaking textbook that explores a variety of topics we consider to be part of the dark side of life while emphasising their role in our positive functioning and transformation as human beings this more nuanced approach to the notions of positive and negative can be described as the second wave of positive psychology positive psychology is one of the fastest growing and least understood branches of psychology exploring topics at the heart of positive psychology such as meaning resilience human development mortality change suffering and spirituality this book engages with so called negative matters from a positive psychology angle showing how the path of personal development can involve experiences which while challenging can lead to growth insight healing and transformation containing useful resources case studies practical exercises and chapter summaries second wave positive psychology is an essential guide for undergraduate and postgraduate students studying positive psychology as well as clinicians wanting to know more about the subject it will also be relevant to the layperson who is interested in positive psychology

positive psychology the pursuit of understanding optimal human functioning is reshaping the scholarly and public views of how we see the science of psychology the encyclopedia of positive psychology provides a comprehensive and accessible summary of this growing area of scholarship and practice 288 specially commissioned entries written by 150 leading international researchers educators and practitioners in positive psychology covers topics of interest across all social sciences as well as business and industry the most current extensive and accessible treatment of the subject available topical primer clarifies basic constructs and processes associated with positive psychology will be useful to students teachers practitioners businesspeople and policy makers

a thorough and up to date guide to putting positive psychology into practice from the foreword this volume is the cutting edge of positive psychology and the emblem of its future martin e p seligman ph d fox leadership professor of psychology university of pennsylvania and author of authentic happiness positive psychology is an exciting new orientation in the field going beyond psychology's traditional focus on illness and pathology to look at areas like well being and fulfillment while the larger question of optimal human functioning is hardly new aristotle addressed it in his treatises on eudaimonia positive psychology offers a common language on this subject to professionals working in a variety of subdisciplines and practices applicable in many settings and relevant for individuals groups organizations communities and societies positive psychology is a genuinely integrative approach to professional practice positive psychology in practice fills the need for a broad comprehensive and state of the art reference for this burgeoning new perspective cutting across traditional lines of thinking in psychology this resource bridges theory research and applications to offer valuable information to a wide range of professionals and students in the social and behavioral sciences a group of major international contributors covers the applied positive psychology perspective historical and philosophical foundations

values and choices in pursuit of the good life lifestyle practices for health and well being methods and processes for teaching and learning positive psychology at work the best and most thorough treatment of this cutting edge discipline positive psychology in practice is an essential resource for understanding this important new theory and applying its principles to all areas of professional practice

remediating deficits and managing disabilities has been a central preoccupation for clinical psychologists positive psychology in contrast is concerned with the enhancement of happiness and well being involving the scientific study of the role of personal strengths and positive social systems in the promotion of optimal wellbeing alan carr s positive psychology has become essential reading for anyone requiring a thorough and accessible introduction to the field this new edition retains all the features that made the first edition so popular including accounts of major theories and relevant research learning objectives chapter summaries research and personal development questions suggestions for further reading measures for use in research glossaries of new terms the book has also been completely updated to take account of recent research and major advances and includes a new chapter on positive psychotherapy an extended account of research on character strengths and virtues and a discussion of recent ground breaking research on emotional intelligence this new edition of positive psychology will prove a valuable resource for psychology students and lecturers as well as those involved in postgraduate training in related areas such as clinical psychology social work counselling and psychotherapy

personal psychological growth why are some people able to promote their own psychological growth and change toward complexity while others not is it possible to propose simple methodologies and instruments that would allow selection of positive experiences and hence develop a stronger and richer self this book describes the way to promote and foster positive psychological growth in everyday life through simple instruments accessible to anyone positive psychological experience the focal point of the approach is the concept of flow of consciousness an experience of subjective psychological wellbeing that nourishes and complexifies the self the authors propose a wide overview of positive psychological experience considering individual characteristics and experiences as well as the influence of context culture and social relationship and the effects of the immersion in a globalized world like the increasing daily use of mediated communication technologies in the various chapters this conceptual frame is declined in different areas of research either consolidated ones or new fields self development tips in a fresh and engaging style the book transports the readers in a world of situations and opportunities through which they can identify themselves in a positive and stable self development process in the first two chapters the authors describe the impact of positive psychological experience in social and individual life in the following chapters the reader discovers accompanied by the exposition of concrete research results the specific characteristics that may promote flow experience in several field of experience the use of communication technology the experience of social networks clinical settings and psychotherapy the psychological relation with environment politics and social participation school sports family business mentor s influence and

the perception of quality of life in daytime everyday opportunities this opportunity of interacting with different and various kinds of experiences that may appear dispersive will on the contrary bring the reader who may choose this book both for professional or personal reasons to understand the concept of personal psychological growth in the wider and more concrete perspective and to comprehend which personal skills he may bring into play in order to improve his personality and his daily experience

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