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Understanding EAP Learners' Beliefs about Language Learning from a Socio-cultural Perspective May 30 2022

This book focuses on the dynamic nature of EAP (English for academic purposes) learners' beliefs about language learning in their shift from an EFL (English as a foreign language) environment to an EMI (English as the medium of instruction) setting in mainland China. It adopts a mixed method paradigm, whose quantitative part aims to capture the general dynamic feature of the selected student population, while its qualitative part attempts to unveil the process of change in beliefs about language learning among the sample. It is hypothesized that the change in their beliefs about language learning is the result of the interplay between the learners' agency and the mediation of the contextual realities at the institutional and social levels.

What We Believe Feb 12 2021

My Brother's Faith Oct 23 2021 In a country torn along political, religious, and cultural lines and a world struggling between globalization and extremism, we can hold uncompromisingly to our own beliefs; yet still get along with those of other worldviews. Recalling chaplain ministry to soldiers and prisoners, the author explores the impact of emotional development and spiritual formation on our worldviews and invites healthy dialogue on matters of race, religion, power, and politics. This primer for peacemaking brings a welcome relief for those who struggle with doubts about their faith and a calm for those who are frustrated when others won't or can't see it their way.

Growing Up Muslim Sep 02 2022 Author Sumbul Ali-Karamali offers her personal account, discussing the many and varied questions she fielded from curious friends and schoolmates while growing up in Southern California—from diet, to dress, to prayer and holidays and everything in between. She also provides an academically reliable introduction to Islam, addressing its inception, development and current demographics. Through this engaging work, readers will gain a better understanding of the everyday aspects of Muslim American life, to dispel many of the misconceptions that still remain and open a dialogue for tolerance and acceptance.

Science and Religion in India Nov 11 2020 This book provides an in-depth ethnographic study of science and religion in the context of South Asia, giving voice to Indian scientists and shedding valuable light on their engagement with religion. Drawing on biographical, autobiographical, historical, and ethnographic material, the volume focuses on scientists' religious life and practices, and the variety of ways in which they express them. Renny Thomas challenges the idea that science and religion in India are naturally connected and argues that the discussion has to go beyond binary models of 'conflict' and 'complementarity'. By complicating the understanding of science and religion in India, the book engages with new ways of looking at these categories.

Everything is a Game of Beliefs Aug 21 2021 Attain liberation from beliefs Right from our childhood, we all, without exception, have taken in a myriad of beliefs from our parents, family, friends as well as from our environment. As we grow up, and begin to develop a better understanding of

life, we no longer need these beliefs. Many of us, however, continue to live in the prison of these limiting beliefs, blindly following them without ever questioning their validity. This book is an eye-opener to the myths and superstitions we have acquired so far. You may wonder whether a state of complete freedom from these myths is ever possible. Hold on! It is indeed possible for everyone. This book will help you in this endeavour. This book is a conclusive myth buster. It helps you bring out the beliefs that you have been holding onto. In the bright light of understanding, you can discover their reality and transcend them. This book covers myths related to topics like time, money, success, confidence, love, marriage, death, and divinity. It also covers everyday superstitions we, as a society, believe in. As you read this book, you will discover that everything is indeed a game of beliefs... Understanding dispels these beliefs and liberates you.

Maps of Meaning Jun 26 2019 Why have people from different cultures and eras formulated myths and stories with similar structures? What does this similarity tell us about the mind, morality, and structure of the world itself? From the author of *12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos* comes a provocative hypothesis that explores the connection between what modern neuropsychology tells us about the brain and what rituals, myths, and religious stories have long narrated. A cutting-edge work that brings together neuropsychology, cognitive science, and Freudian and Jungian approaches to mythology and narrative, *Maps of Meaning* presents a rich theory that makes the wisdom and meaning of myth accessible to the critical modern mind.

Chinese Mind May 18 2021 The Chinese: understanding a

people and their culture through key words and language. The Chinese Mind pinpoints areas of China's traditional values and behaviors that play a significant role in the business and social relationships of the Chinese. It also identifies key areas of Chinese culture that have changed as a result of the adoption of a market-based economy and other elements of Western culture. It includes discussion topics and questions, along with an extensive selection of Chinese "code words" that explain the essence and role of key elements of the traditional culture that have survived into modern times. Covering everything from the importance of Confucius, the great Chinese philosopher, to the influence of foreign fast food and video games, this book provides a wide-ranging glimpse into the seemingly opaque Chinese mind. The Chinese Mind is an excellent overview of Chinese tradition, history, and culture that is perfect for the classroom, tourists or outsiders living or doing business in China. Some of the vital concepts explored here include: Yin and Yang, the search for balance in all things Mianji, the importance of face Hong, looking at things holistically De, the power of virtue Guo cui, the national essence of the Chinese Zhong fu, the pursuit of insight Bi, unity the Chinese way

Islam Jul 20 2021 In recent years there has been a great interest in Islam and the more than 1.6 billion people around the world who practice this religion. Islam: Core Beliefs and Practices provides an overview of this major world religion that will help readers to understand what Muslims believe and value, as well as how Muslims practice their faith in their everyday lives. The book provides the historical background

of Islam's emergence on the Arabian Peninsula during the seventh century and traces the spread of the faith throughout the world during the centuries that followed, along with information about the major Islamic sects, an explanation of Islamic laws and practices, details of important Islamic celebrations and festivals, and a discussion of important issues that Muslims face today. Each title in this series contains color photos throughout, maps, and back matter including: a chronology, a detailed index and further reading lists for books and internet resources. Key Icons appear throughout the books in this series in an effort to encourage library readers to build knowledge, gain awareness, explore possibilities and expand their viewpoints through our content rich non-fiction books. Key Icons in this series are as follows: Words to Understand are shown at the front of each chapter with definitions. These words are set in boldfaced type in that chapter, so that readers are able to reference back to the definitions--building their vocabulary and enhancing their reading comprehension. Sidebars are highlighted graphics with content rich material within that allows readers to build knowledge and broaden their perspectives by weaving together additional information to provide realistic and holistic perspectives. Text Dependent Questions are placed at the end of each chapter. They challenge the readers compr

Understanding Taoism Jan 14 2021 This concise, illustrated introduction to Tao provides a unique distillation of this highly distinctive tradition, from its origins in ancient China to its place in society today. It covers nine key themes, including the life of Tao's founding sage Laozi and his

teachings; the influential sacred writings of the Tao Te Ching and Zhuangzi; and the concept of wu wei (non interference).

The Complete Guide to Christian Denominations Jun 30

2022 Do you ever wonder what the difference is between one denomination and another? Why are there so many kinds of Baptist or Presbyterian or Lutheran churches? Where do those names come from, anyway? You can find answers in this concise but comprehensive guide. Learn about the leaders, teachings, and history of most of the church families in America. In addition to membership statistics, you'll find... a brief explanation of how the denomination began a short summary of its teaching on God, the Bible, the church, and other important topics a quick overview of some of its distinctive characteristics Whether you're looking for a new church or enriching your fellowship with believers from other traditions, you'll be much better prepared with this revised and expanded edition of *The Complete Guide to Christian Denominations*.

Understanding Hinduism Feb 24 2022 *Understanding*

Hinduism covers the history of Hinduism and explores how the religion has evolved and expanded. Readers learn about spiritual leaders, how Hindus perceive the world, and how Hindus live in the modern world. This title also discusses the complex interactions between Hinduism and Indian politics. Features include a glossary, references, websites, source notes, and an index. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Essential Library is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO.

Understanding Folk Religion Oct 03 2022 Provides a model for examining the beliefs folk religions around the

world and suggests biblical principles missionaries can use to deal with them.

Understanding Religion Mar 16 2021 A cutting-edge introduction to contemporary religious studies theory, connecting theory to data This innovative coursebook introduces students to interdisciplinary theoretical tools for understanding contemporary religiously diverse societies—both Western and non-Western. Using a case-study model, the text considers: A wide and diverse array of contemporary issues, questions, and critical approaches to the study of religion relevant to students and scholars A variety of theoretical approaches, including decolonial, feminist, hermeneutical, poststructuralist, and phenomenological analyses Current debates on whether the term "religion" is meaningful Many key issues about the study of religion, including the insider-outsider debate, material religion, and lived religion Plural and religiously diverse societies, including the theological ideas of traditions and the political and social questions that arise for those living alongside adherents of other religions Understanding Religion is designed to provide a strong foundation for instructors to explore the ideas presented in each chapter in multiple ways, engage students in meaningful activities in the classroom, and integrate additional material into their lectures. Students will gain the tools to apply specific methods from a variety of disciplines to analyze the social, political, spiritual, and cultural aspects of religions. Its unique pedagogical design means it can be used from undergraduate- to postgraduate-level courses.

Understanding Judaism Aug 09 2020 Judaism is one of the

oldest and most influential of all faiths and it has been a profound formative influence on both Christianity and Islam. This text provides an introduction to this ancient religion.

How God Works Mar 04 2020 Drawing on a wealth of new evidence, pioneering research psychologist David DeSteno shows why religious practices and rituals are so beneficial to those who follow them—and to anyone, regardless of their faith (or lack thereof). Scientists are beginning to discover what believers have known for a long time: the rewards that a religious life can provide. For millennia, people have turned to priests, rabbis, imams, shamans, and others to help them deal with issues of grief and loss, birth and death, morality and meaning. In this absorbing work, DeSteno reveals how numerous religious practices from around the world improve emotional and physical well-being. With empathy and rigor, DeSteno chronicles religious rites and traditions from cradle to grave. He explains how the Japanese rituals surrounding childbirth help strengthen parental bonds with children. He describes how the Apache Sunrise Ceremony makes teenage girls better able to face the rigors of womanhood. He shows how Buddhist meditation reduces hostility and increases compassion. He demonstrates how the Jewish practice of sitting shiva comforts the bereaved. And much more. DeSteno details how belief itself enhances physical and mental health. But you don't need to be religious to benefit from the trove of wisdom that religion has to offer. Many items in religion's "toolbox" can help the body and mind whether or not one believes. How God Works offers advice on how to incorporate many of these practices to help all of us live more meaningful, successful, and

satisfying lives.

Understanding Beliefs Nov 04 2022 What beliefs are, what they do for us, how we come to hold them, and how to evaluate them. Our beliefs constitute a large part of our knowledge of the world. We have beliefs about objects, about culture, about the past, and about the future. We have beliefs about other people, and we believe that they have beliefs as well. We use beliefs to predict, to explain, to create, to console, to entertain. Some of our beliefs we call theories, and we are extraordinarily creative at constructing them. Theories of quantum mechanics, evolution, and relativity are examples. But so are theories about astrology, alien abduction, guardian angels, and reincarnation. All are products (with varying degrees of credibility) of fertile minds trying to find explanations for observed phenomena. In this book, Nils Nilsson examines beliefs: what they do for us, how we come to hold them, and how to evaluate them. We should evaluate our beliefs carefully, Nilsson points out, because they influence so many of our actions and decisions. Some of our beliefs are more strongly held than others, but all should be considered tentative and changeable. Nilsson shows that beliefs can be quantified by probability, and he describes networks of beliefs in which the probabilities of some beliefs affect the probabilities of others. He argues that we can evaluate our beliefs by adapting some of the practices of the scientific method and by consulting expert opinion. And he warns us about “belief traps”—holding onto beliefs that wouldn't survive critical evaluation. The best way to escape belief traps, he writes, is to expose our beliefs to the reasoned criticism of others.

Religion, Spirituality, and Positive Psychology Mar 28 2022

A multidisciplinary team of scholars shows how spiritual and religious practices actually do power psychological, physical, and social benefits, producing stronger individuals and healthier societies. In recent years, scholars from an array of disciplines applied cutting-edge research techniques to determining the effects of faith. *Religion, Spirituality, and Positive Psychology: Understanding the Psychological Fruits of Faith* brings those scholars together to share what they learned. Through their thoughtful, evidence-based reflections, this insightful book demonstrates the positive benefits of spiritual and religious engagement, both for individual practitioners and for society as a whole. The book covers Buddhism, Christianity, Islam, Judaism and other major traditions across culture in two sections. The first focuses on ways in which religious and spiritual engagement improves psychological and behavioral health. The second highlights the application of this knowledge to physical, psychological, and social problems. Each chapter focuses on a spiritual fruit, among them humility, hope, tolerance, gratitude, forgiveness, better health, and recovery from disease or addiction, explaining how the fruit is planted and why faith helps it flourish. Case studies and personal vignettes illustrate key points and discoveries

Making Sense of Beliefs and Values Aug 28 2019 Social psychologists have studied beliefs and values, and related constructs such as "attitudes" and "prejudice" for decades. But as this innovative and interdisciplinary book convincingly demonstrates, the scientific examination of beliefs and values now influences research and practice

across a range of disciplines. Specifically, this edited volume explores the many cutting edge implications and applications of Equilintegration or EI Theory and the Beliefs, Events, and Values Inventory (BEVI). Grounded in twenty years of research and practice, EI Theory seeks to explain the processes by which beliefs, values, and worldviews are acquired and maintained, why their alteration is resisted, and under what circumstances they are modified. Based upon EI Theory, the BEVI is a comprehensive analytic tool which examines how and why we come to see ourselves, others, and the larger world as we do as well as the influence of such processes on multiple aspects of human functioning. Edited by the developer of the EI model and BEVI method, and informed by contributions from leading U.S. and international scholars, this book features captivating research findings and pioneering practice applications. Research-focused chapters explain how the EI model and BEVI method increase our conceptual sophistication and methodological capacity across a range of areas: Culture, Development, Environment, Gender, Personality, Politics, and Religion. Practice-oriented chapters demonstrate how the BEVI is used in the real world across a range of applied domains: Assessment, Education, Forensics, Leadership, and Psychotherapy. Written in an accessible and engaging manner, this fascinating and timely volume speaks to many of the most pressing issues of our day, by illuminating why we believe what we believe, and demonstrating how our beliefs and values may be assessed, explained, and transformed in the real world. Key Features: Presents an interdisciplinary theoretical model and innovative assessment

method derived from two decades of work on the etiology, maintenance, and transformation of beliefs and values Features contributions from leading scholars from the U.S. and internationally, demonstrating the many implications and applications of this cutting edge approach for research and practice Demonstrates the importance of "making sense of beliefs and values" in addressing many of the most pressing issues of our day

UNDERSTANDING THE QUR'AN CORRECTLY Apr 04 2020 **RELIGION IN THE LIGHT OF THE QURAN** The True Islam Told by the Prophet Muhammad

Learning to Teach Physical Education in the Secondary School Sep 29 2019 Combining background information with suggestions for practical application, this title provides essential support for student teachers throughout their training and teaching experience.

The Global Muslim Community at a Crossroads:

Understanding Religious Beliefs, Practices, and

Infighting to End the Conflict Apr 16 2021 Tackling a subject that is as timely as it is complex, this expert work examines the turmoil inside Muslim communities, helping outsiders to understand and insiders to examine ways in which Islam can be reinterpreted for a modern world. •

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Quran, and the Sunni / Shia Split and Conflict Sep 09 2020

Islam is largely blanketed by mystery and distorted by bias.

This book introduces the truth of Islamic beliefs and culture. Islam is an incredibly popular religion, and the second largest in the world. What comes with such a common but elusive belief system? A curiously large amount of customs, and very intriguing, ancient beliefs. There is A LOT of intricacies about Islam. This book will give you an introductory, holistic understanding of the religion. From defining the truth of what Allah means to muslims, explaining the four stages of life, to everyday customs, this book covers it all. Both for muslims and non-muslims, you're guaranteed to learn A LOT of valuable information. Here are some of your questions that will be answered! What are the five pillars of Islam? What's the story of Muhammad? Who is he? What does Islam say about Jesus? Muslims believe in Satan? What about Angels? What does Islam say about free will? What is the Ka'ba? What's the Quran and what's written in it? And much, much more... If you're looking to learn more about Islam, look no further. Whether you know nothing about the religion, or you're a muslim yourself and want more, this book will be accessible and useful to everyone. I'm so sure that you'll find it informative, that I'll happily give you a refund if you're not totally satisfied.

Understanding Folk Religion Jan 02 2020 Provides a model for examining the popular beliefs of world religions and suggests biblical principles for dealing with them.

Belief and Cult Dec 13 2020 A groundbreaking reinterpretation that draws on cognitive theory to show that belief wasn't absent from—but rather was at the heart of—Roman religion. *Belief and Cult* argues that belief isn't uniquely Christian but was central to ancient Roman religion.

Drawing on cognitive theory, Jacob Mackey shows that despite having nothing to do with salvation or faith, belief underlay every aspect of Roman religious practices—emotions, individual and collective cult action, ritual norms, social reality, and social power. In doing so, he also offers a thorough argument for the importance of belief to other non-Christian religions. At the individual level, the book argues, belief played an indispensable role in the genesis of cult action and religious emotion. However, belief also had a collective dimension. The cognitive theory of Shared Intentionality shows how beliefs may be shared among individuals, accounting for the existence of written, unwritten, or even unspoken ritual norms. Shared beliefs permitted the choreography of collective cult action and gave cult acts their social meanings. The book also elucidates the role of shared belief in creating and maintaining Roman social reality. Shared belief allowed the Romans to endow agents, actions, and artifacts with socio-religious status and power. In a deep sense, no man could count as an augur and no act of animal slaughter as a successful offering to the gods, unless Romans collectively shared appropriate beliefs about these things. Closely examining augury, prayer, the religious enculturation of children, and the Romans' own theories of cognition and cult, *Belief and Cult* promises to revolutionize the understanding of Roman religion by demonstrating that none of its features makes sense without Roman belief.

Understanding Buddhism Nov 23 2021

Understanding Islam Apr 28 2022 COMPARATIVE RELIGION. Islam, the last of the major monotheistic

traditions to emerge in human history, dates back to the early seventh century. Today the Islamic community reflects a range of national, ethnic, socioeconomic and linguistic backgrounds. This enlightening book outlines Islam's essential practices and beliefs, including its origins and historical development, sacred texts, beliefs on death and the afterlife, as well as themes such as society and religion. Topical issues such as Political Islam, Islam and Israel, and Fundamentalism are addressed with intelligence, skill and sensitivity.

Behavioral Insights Feb 01 2020 The definitive introduction to the behavioral insights approach, which applies evidence about human behavior to practical problems. Our behavior is strongly influenced by factors that lie outside our conscious awareness, although we tend to underestimate the power of this “automatic” side of our behavior. As a result, governments make ineffective policies, businesses create bad products, and individuals make unrealistic plans. In contrast, the behavioral insights approach applies evidence about actual human behavior—rather than assumptions about it—to practical problems. This volume in the MIT Press Essential Knowledge series, written by two leading experts in the field, offers an accessible introduction to behavioral insights, describing core features, origins, and practical examples. Since 2010, these insights have opened up new ways of addressing some of the biggest challenges faced by societies, changing the way that governments, businesses, and nonprofits work in the process. This book shows how the approach is grounded in a concern with practical problems, the use of evidence about human behavior to address those

problems, and experimentation to evaluate the impact of the solutions. It gives an overview of the approach's origins in psychology and behavioral economics, its early adoption by the UK's pioneering “nudge unit,” and its recent expansion into new areas. The book also provides examples from across different policy areas and guidance on how to run a behavioral insights project. Finally, the book outlines the limitations and ethical implications of the approach, and what the future holds for this fast-moving area.

Understanding and Changing Health Behaviour Dec 25 2021 Focuses on a range of key social cognitive factors in interventions to change health behaviour, using examples from an impressive breadth of applied settings. The book features contributions from some of the best known researchers in the field.

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Understanding Religion and Popular Culture Jun 06 2020 An introductory textbook which provides students with a variety of approaches for analysing religion and popular culture, covering areas such as food, violence, music, television and videogames.

Creating Conspiracy Beliefs Sep 21 2021 Conspiracy

theories spread more widely and faster than ever before. Fear and uncertainty prompt people to believe false narratives of danger and hidden plots, but are not sufficient without considering the role and ideological bias of the media. This timely book focuses on making sense of how and why some people respond to their fear of a threat by creating or believing conspiracy stories. It integrates insights from psychology, political science, communication, and information sciences to provide a complete overview and theory of how conspiracy beliefs manifest. Through this multi-disciplinary perspective, rigorous research develops and tests a practical, simple way to frame and understand conspiracy theories. The book supplies unprecedented amounts of new data from six empirical studies and unpicks the complexity of the process that leads to the empowerment of conspiracy beliefs.

The Righteous Mind May 06 2020 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The acclaimed social psychologist challenges conventional thinking about morality, politics, and religion in a way that speaks to conservatives and liberals alike—a “landmark contribution to humanity’s understanding of itself” (The New York Times Book Review). Drawing on his twenty-five years of groundbreaking research on moral psychology, Jonathan Haidt shows how moral judgments arise not from reason but from gut feelings. He shows why liberals, conservatives, and libertarians have such different intuitions about right and wrong, and he shows why each side is actually right about many of its central concerns. In this subtle yet accessible book, Haidt gives you the key to understanding the miracle

of human cooperation, as well as the curse of our eternal divisions and conflicts. If you're ready to trade in anger for understanding, read *The Righteous Mind*.

Understanding Islam and Christianity Aug 01 2022 For years, international apologist Josh McDowell has been alert to the challenge of Islam—and how Muslims' objections to Christianity can raise deep doubts in believers' minds. His recent on-the-ground research with Muslims in the Middle East has crystallized into this practical resource focusing on Jesus and the gospel. Aided by Islam expert Jim Walker, McDowell lays out the evidence on the crucial issues: What kind of prophet was Jesus? Was he the Messiah? "Son of God"? "Son of Man"? What's that about? How are God and Jesus related? Can they both be God? The gospel—how could God dishonor his Son by letting him die horribly? What good did his death do? Aren't the Bible's accounts of Jesus corrupt? With all this, as well as background appendixes on the basics, believers will have authoritative evidence from Scripture and history to intelligently deal with Muslims' questions about and challenges to Christianity.

Critical Terms for Religious Studies Oct 30 2019 A century that began with modernism sweeping across Europe is ending with a remarkable resurgence of religious beliefs and practices throughout the world. Wherever one looks today, from headlines about political turmoil in the Middle East to pop music and videos, one cannot escape the pivotal role of religious beliefs and practices in shaping selves, societies, and cultures. Following in the very successful tradition of *Critical Terms for Literary Studies* and *Critical Terms for Art History*, this book attempts to provide a

revitalized, self-aware vocabulary with which this bewildering religious diversity can be accurately described and responsibly discussed. Leading scholars working in a variety of traditions demonstrate through their incisive discussions that even our most basic terms for understanding religion are not neutral but carry specific historical and conceptual freight. These essays adopt the approach that has won this book's predecessors such widespread acclaim: each provides a concise history of a critical term, explores the issues raised by the term, and puts the term to use in an analysis of a religious work, practice, or event. Moving across Judaism, Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Native American and Mayan religions, contributors explore terms ranging from experience, territory, and image, to God, sacrifice, and transgression. The result is an essential reference that will reshape the field of religious studies and transform the way in which religion is understood by scholars from all disciplines, including anthropology, sociology, psychology, cultural studies, gender studies, and literary studies.

Nothing in My Hand I Bring Oct 11 2020

Cult Archaeology & Creationism Jul 08 2020

Understanding why this should be so and how we as a society might deal with these widespread pseudoscientific beliefs are the subjects at the heart of this study.

Before You Think Another Thought Jun 18 2021 The book helps with an understanding of how thoughts and beliefs impact your experiences.

Discovering Our Roots, Establishing Our Legacy Jul 28

2019 This question-answer format study guide helps Christ

followers gain an understanding of basic biblical literacy and historic Christian beliefs in an easy reading style. Some would call this an evangelical catechism. Are you looking for a basic resource to help you find in scripture where basic Christian beliefs are found and what they mean? This text will answer over one hundred basic questions leading you to scriptures and belief statements that help you gain a holistic view of Scripture and Christian beliefs no matter what your denominational affiliation is. You will also gain an overview of the Old and New Testaments. While gaining an understanding of beliefs, you will also be challenged to live out your beliefs with godly actions or behaviors based on Scripture. This book is not a fast read; rather, you are encouraged to take a year to accomplish this study. Take a couple questions each week studying the Scriptures associated with the question and then asking the Lord to help you apply truth to your life. This is an ideal guide for personal study. Some people will use this study guide as a resource when teaching or discipling other individuals. It can also be used as a guide for group discussion.

The Muslim Next Door Dec 01 2019 An accessible introduction to Islam by an American Muslim shares comprehensive and academically sound answers to key questions about such topics as jihad, Islamic fundamentalism, and women's rights. Original.