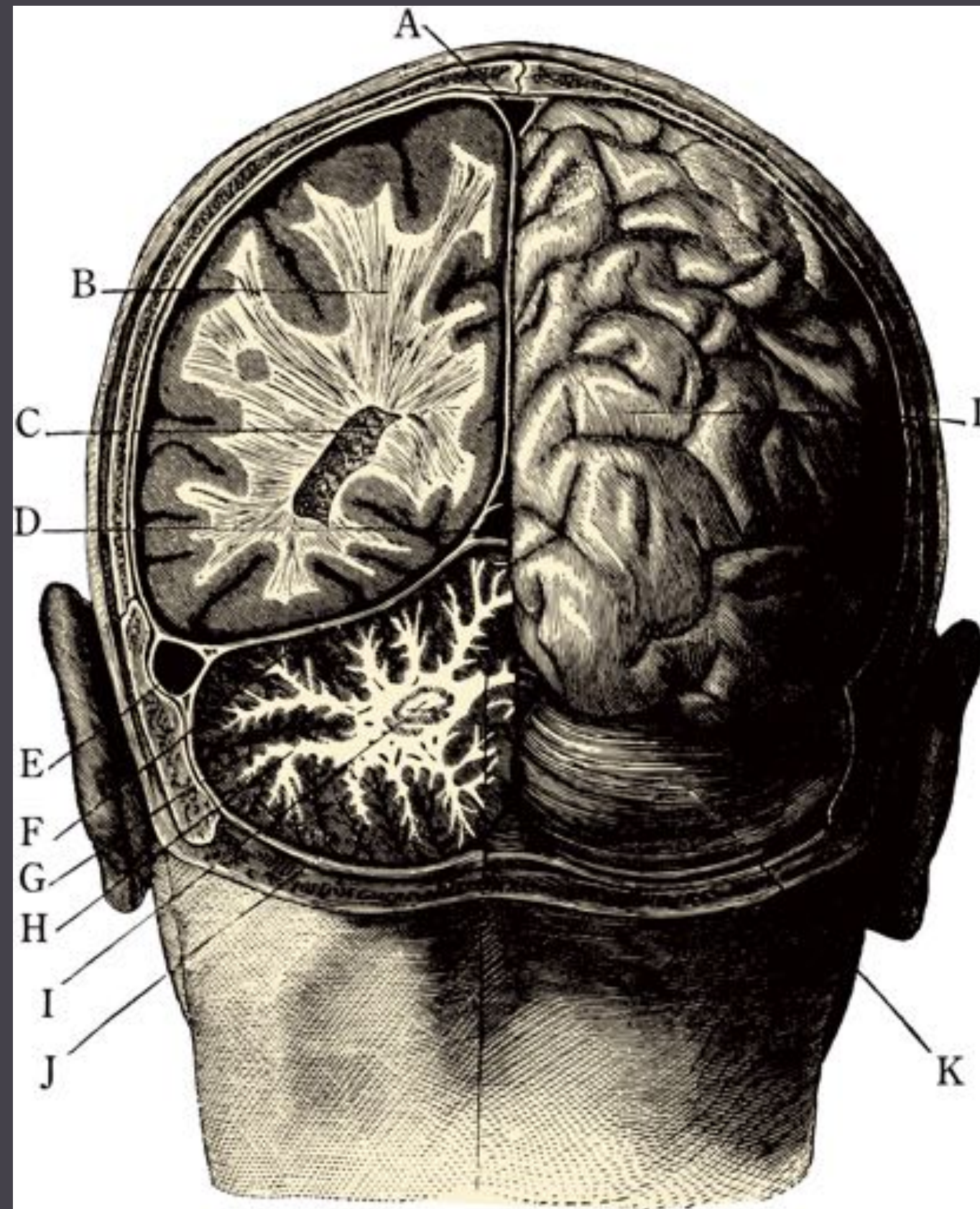


# Introduction To Psychology: An Introduction



PSYCH 1101 FALL 2017

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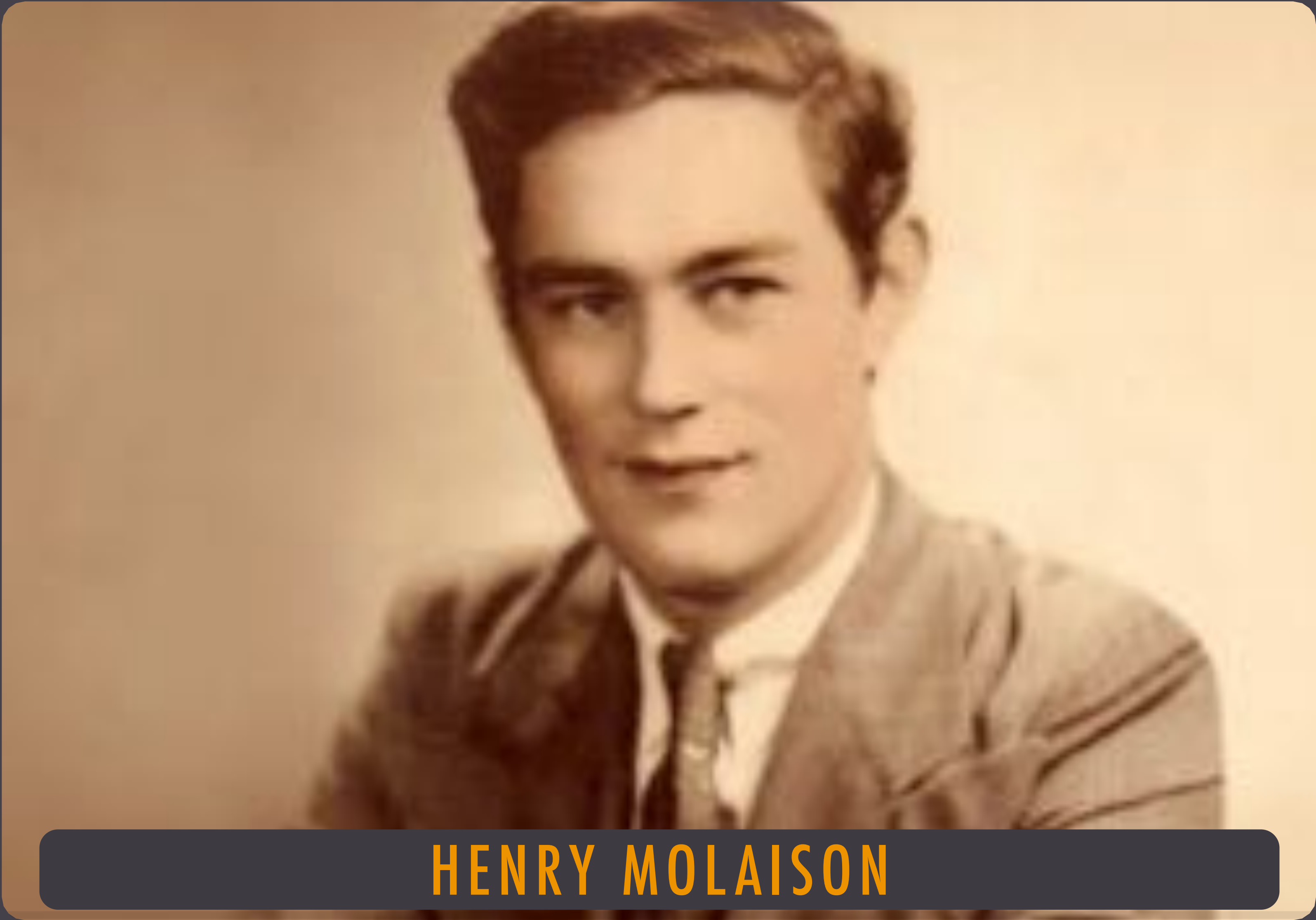
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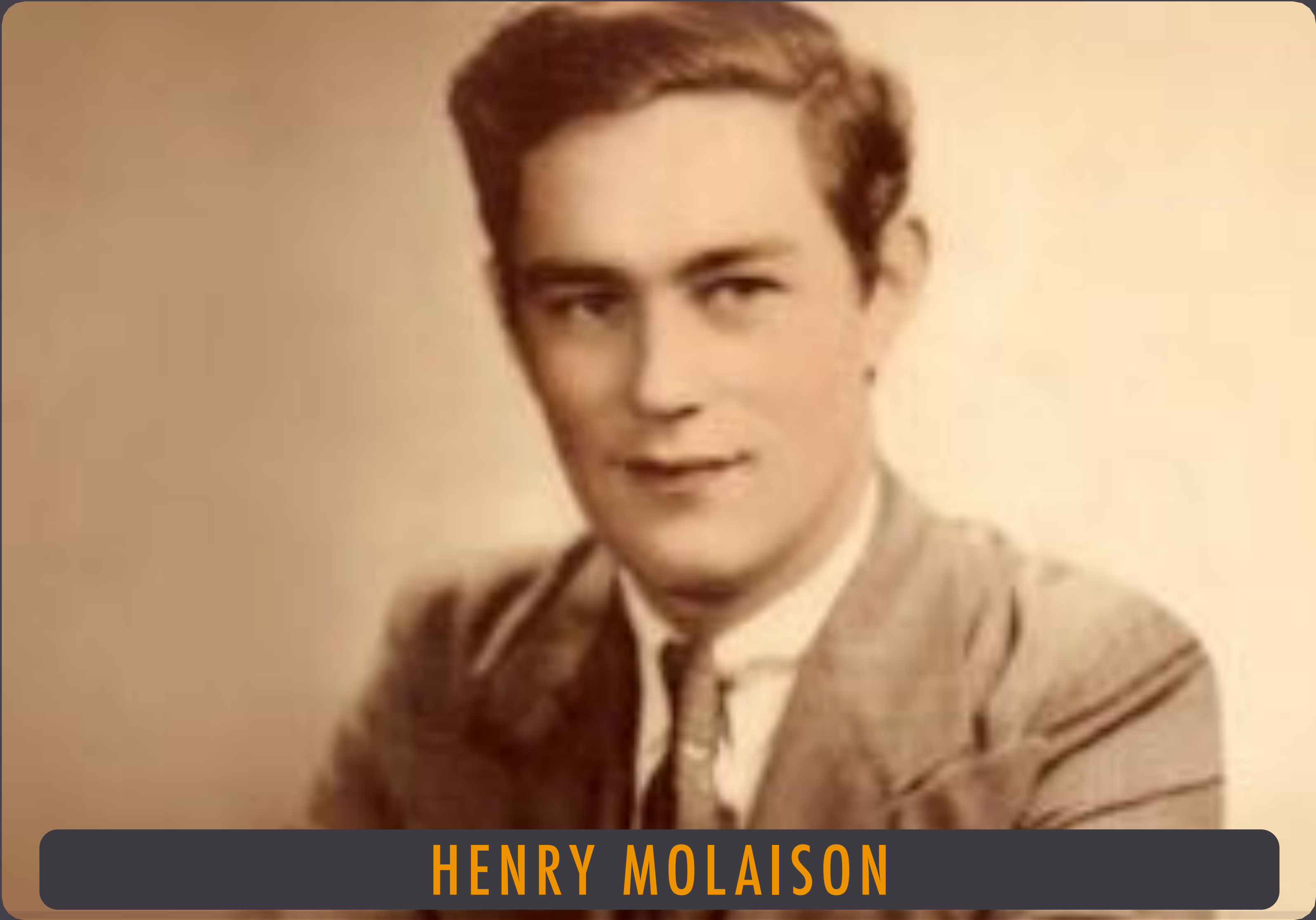
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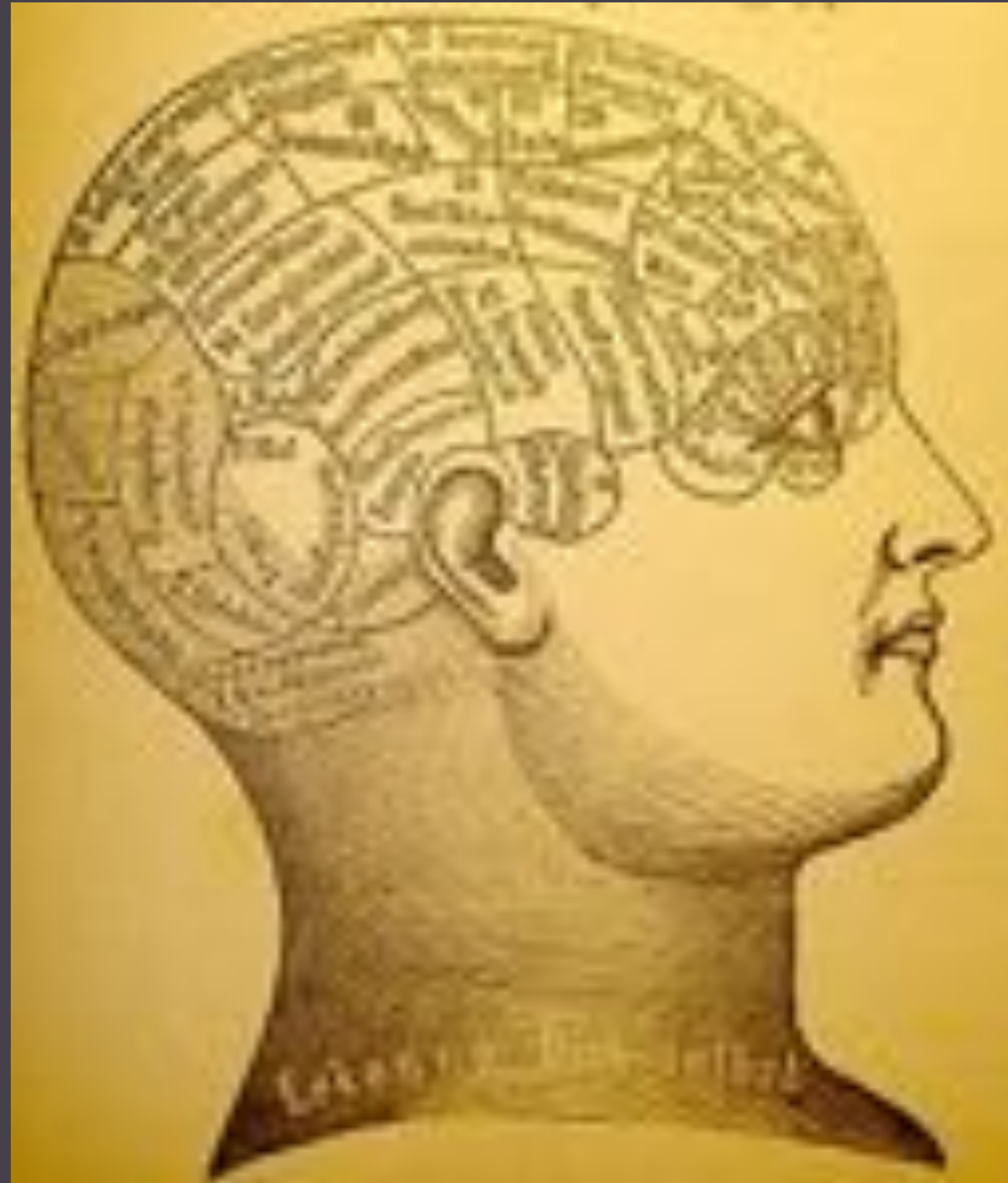
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**What Is This Course About?**





...TO UNDERSTAND THE **M**IND

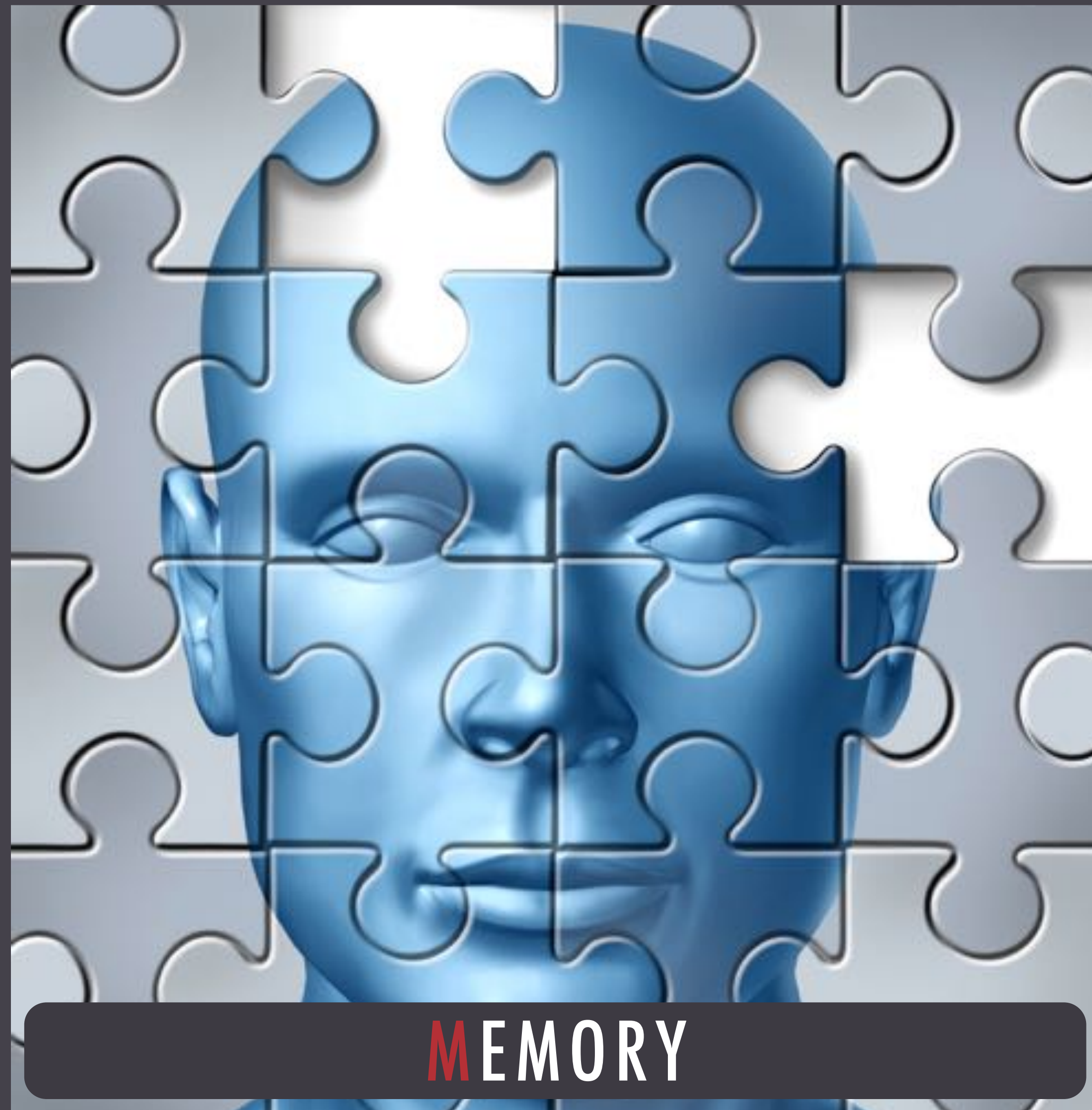






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**I**NTELLIGENCE





**DEVELOPMENT**





# **M**ENTAL ILLNESS



**H**UMOR AND LAUGHTER





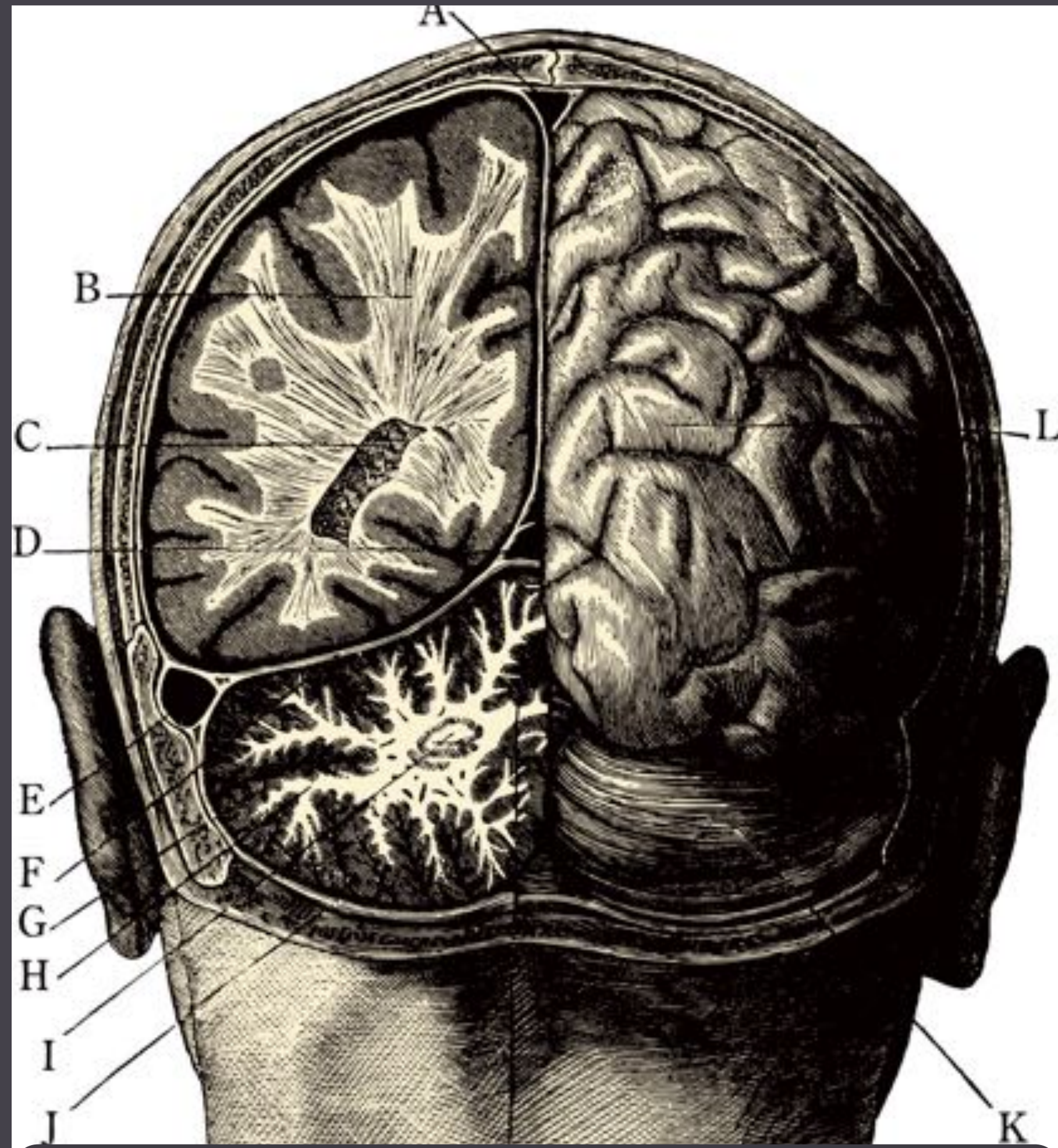
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MORALITY





# BRAINS



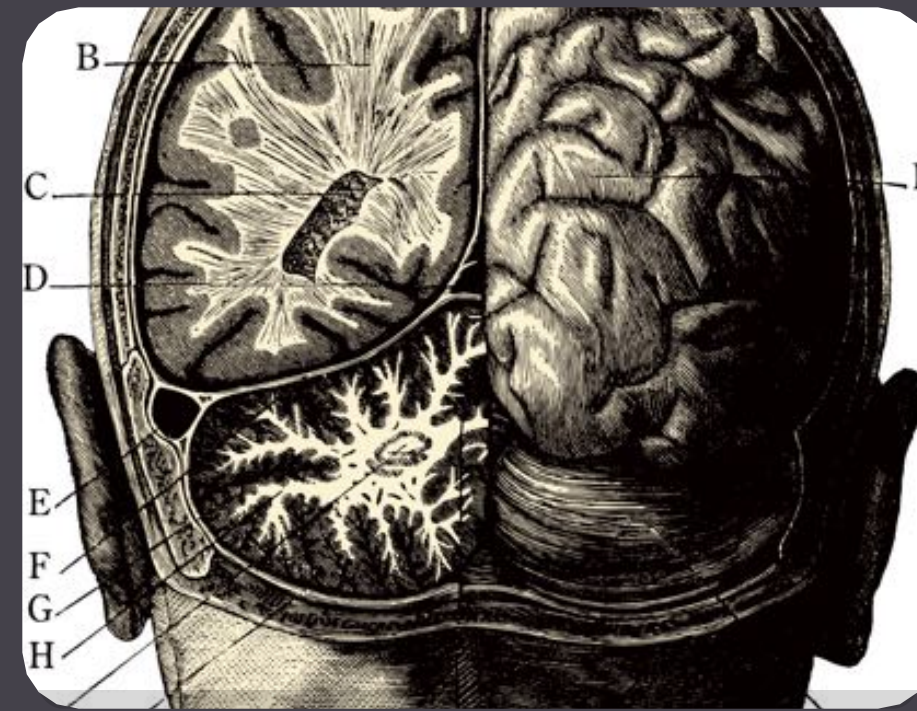


SPORTS-RELIGION-POLITICS



# Psychology

The tools and methods of science applied to the human mind





# Big Goals

- Gain some understanding of **how the mind works** by learning about some of the empirical observation and experimentation that has been done.
- Learn a bit more about what the **scientific method** is, and how it can be applied to mind and behavior.
- Learn to be able to distinguish **good science** from **bad science**—to become a better **consumer of science**.

# Course Overview

- A comprehensive introduction to the science of the human mind
  - Neuroscientific
  - Developmental
  - Social
  - Cognitive
  - Clinical



# Sometimes Includes Related Disciplines

- Economics
- Evolutionary Biology
- Philosophy
- Anthropology
- Computer Science
- Linguistics
- ...

# Course Information



course website:  
[www.cornellpsych.net](http://www.cornellpsych.net)

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# Course Website

- **Course Info**
  - syllabus, grading, extra credit, reading assignments, exam dates
- **People**
  - info about instructor, tas, tutors; office hours
- **Course Content**
  - lecture slides (.pdf format, available for download ~1 day after class)
  - course announcements
  - additional links to videos, websites, or articles of interest
  - content updates generate tweet via @cornellpsych

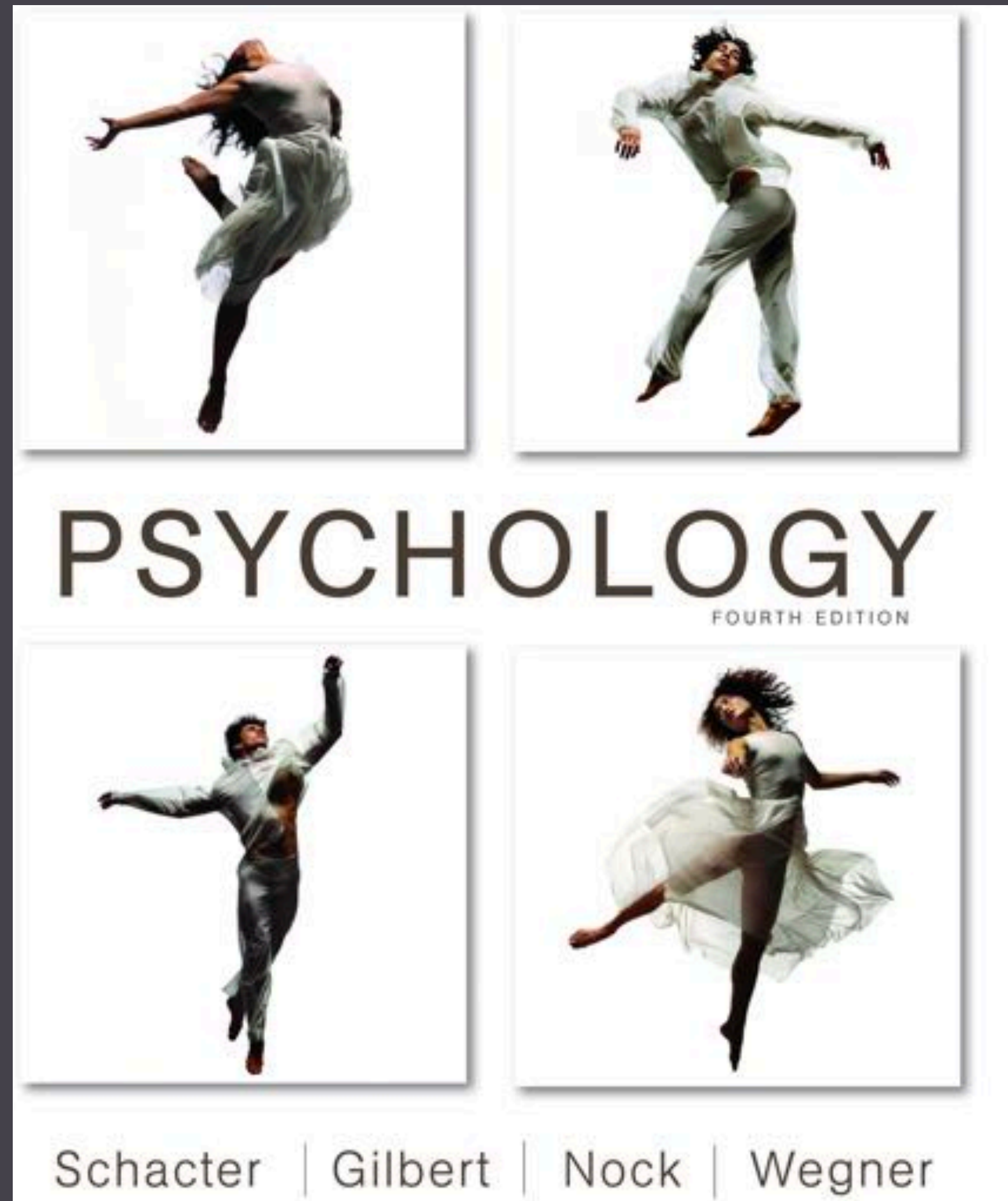
# Ask A Question!



@cornellpsych



# Required Text



SCHACTER, D.L., GILBERT, D.T, WEGNER, D.M., & NOCK,  
M.K. (2014) PSYCHOLOGY (4TH EDITION).

# Format

- **3 lectures/week**
- **Recipe for success:** attend lectures, do the readings, ask questions
  - Lectures will be available for download (but they are a poor substitute for attendance)
- **3 exams, multiple-choice, questions take (2 non-cumulative prelims and a cumulative final exam)**
  - **Exam 1:** Friday, September 22
  - **Exam 2:** Friday, October 27
  - **Final exam:** TBA on course registrar's website (usually by the end of September)
- **The prelim exams are worth 30% of your grade each, the final exam is worth 40%**



# The Most Common Grade In This Course Is An "A"

- This is not because I try to make the course easier than it ought to be.
- It is because the biggest challenge is to stay on top of the readings and prepare well (and in time) for the exams.
- Err on the side of prepping a little more and a little earlier

# Extra Credit

- You can earn extra credit by participating in up to 7 psychology experiments (for up to 5% added to your final grade)
- Sign up at: <https://cornellpsych.sona-systems.com>
- It can take a couple of weeks for experiments to be made available, so be patient if you log on right away and do not see any available studies for participation.



# Psych 1101 Tutors

- Advanced undergraduates who have taken the course already (and who did well)
- One of these tutors is assigned as your primary contact, and will be emailing you
- They should be your **first contact** for questions regarding the course

# Other Things

- **Students with disabilities**
  - Please turn in your accommodation letter to a Psych 1101 tutor or to the front office of the psych department (2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Uris Hall) as soon as possible.
- **Prof. Pizarro office hours starting next week**
  - Thursday afternoons 2-4
  - Sign up on the web is required
- **Tutor Office Hours** to be posted by beginning of next week
- Interested in **1103 Sections**? You must register for Psych 1103 as a separate course. Next week I will post a description of the available sections (visit course website for more info).



# Thanks! On Friday Psychology: The Hardest Science



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course website: <http://www.cornellpsych.net>