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clearly on the question of what is 'religion' and on approaches to studying religion. There is more on materiality as well as a new final chapter on religious mobilizing and violence. Further resources are available via a comprehensive companion website. [Entheogens and the Development of Culture](#) John A. Rush 2013-07-30 Entheogens and the Development of Culture makes the radical proposition that mind-altering substances have played a major part not only in cultural development but also in human brain development. Researchers suggest that we have purposely enhanced receptor sites in the brain, especially those for dopamine and serotonin, through the use of plants and fungi over a long period of time. The trade-off for lowered functioning and potential drug abuse has been more creative thinking--or a leap in consciousness. Experiments in entheogen use led to the development of primitive medicine, in which

certain mind-altering plants and fungi were imbibed to still fatigue, pain, or depression, while others were taken to promote hunger and libido. Our ancestors selected for our neural hardware, and our propensity for seeking altered forms of consciousness as a survival strategy may be intimately bound to our decision-making processes going back to the dawn of time. Fourteen essays by a wide range of contributors—including founding president of the American Anthropological Association's Anthropology of Religion section Michael Winkelman, PhD; Carl A. P. Ruck, PhD, Boston University professor of classics and an authority on the ecstatic rituals of the god Dionysus; and world-renowned botanist Dr. Gaston Guzman, member of the Colombian National Academy of Sciences and expert on hallucinogenic mushrooms—demonstrate that altering consciousness continues to be an important part of human experience today. Anthropologists, cultural historians, and anyone interested in the effects of mind-altering substances on the human mind and soul will find this book deeply informative and inspiring. From the Trade Paperback edition.

Anthropology of Religion Fiona Bowie 2006-01-02 Now available in a revised second edition, this popular introduction to the anthropology of religion combines discussion of the origin and development of debates within the field, with a look at where the subject is heading. Introduces readers to the central theoretical ideas in the anthropology of religion and illustrates them with specific case studies. Features self-contained chapters, each with its own comprehensive bibliography, so that they can be approached in any order. Contains an additional chapter on mythology and a number of new

illustrations. Incorporates coverage of the following topics in the existing structure: pilgrimage, spirit possession and cargo cults. Includes a list of ethnographic films and videos that can be used to illustrate and extend discussion of particular issues.

Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion

Pamela A. Moro 2008 This comparative reader takes an anthropological approach to the study of religious beliefs, both strange and familiar. The engaging articles on all key issues related to the anthropology of religion grab the attention of students, while giving them an excellent foundation in contemporary ideas and approaches in the field. The multiple authors included in each chapter represent a range of interests, geographic foci, and ways of looking at each subject. Divided into ten chapters, this book begins with a broad view of anthropological ways of looking at religion, and moves on to some of the core topics within the subject, such as myth, ritual, and the various types of religious specialists.

Sociale & culturele antropologie John Monaghan 2015-03-25 'Als je wilt weten wat antropologie is, moet je kijken naar wat antropologen doen,' zo schrijven de auteurs van dit Elementaire Deeltje. In deze boeiende introductie op dit vakgebied komen dus, naast de belangrijkste principes en methodes, veel voorbeelden aan bod van de antropoloog aan het werk. Puttend uit hun eigen ervaringen in Indonesië en Midden-Amerika bespreken de auteurs de wijze waarop sociale en culturele antropologie ons begrip over de menselijke samenleving en cultuur hebben helpen vormen.

The Anthropology of Magic Susan Greenwood 2020-05-28 Magic is arguably the least understood subject in anthropology today. Exotic and fascinating, it offers us a glimpse

into another world but it also threatens to undermine the foundations of anthropology due to its supposed irrational and non-scientific nature. Magic has thus often been 'explained away' by social or psychological reduction. The Anthropology of Magic redresses the balance and brings magic, as an aspect of consciousness, into focus through the use of classic texts and cutting-edge research. Suitable for student and scholar alike, The Anthropology of Magic updates a classical anthropological debate concerning the nature of human experience. A key theme is that human beings everywhere have the potential for magical consciousness. Taking a new approach to some perennial topics in anthropology - such as shamanism, mythology, witchcraft and healing - the book raises crucial theoretical and methodological issues to provide the reader with an engaging and critical understanding of the dynamics of magic. Join the live discussion on Facebook!

Theories of Witchcraft in Practice:
F.G. Bailey's 'The Witch-Hunt'

Carolin Duss 2010-03-16 Seminar paper from the year 2007 in the subject Ethnology / Cultural Anthropology, grade: 1,3, University of Heidelberg (Institut für Ethnologie), course: Sorcery and Witchcraft in South Asia: Theories and Practices of the Occult, language: English, abstract: To most people growing up in a Western cultural setting, magic, sorcery and witchcraft hold a certain fascination. There always seems to be something mysterious, extraordinary, even risky to the named issues, probably because we just don't face them in everyday life. Anthropology shares this fascination for the following reasons: "cross-cultural prevalence, frequent cultural prominence, paradoxical attributes, no doubt the attraction of the

exotic, and the potential for testing theories about belief and social action" (Levine 1982: 259). In this paper, I will focus mainly on the subject of witchcraft without disregarding important links to magic and sorcery. Central questions are: What is witchcraft? Under what circumstances does witchcraft appear? Why do people accuse others of it or confess to witchcraft themselves? How does witchcraft relate to the social structure, economics, politics and personal affairs of the members of a society? There have been different answers to those questions since the first papers on magic, sorcery, and witchcraft have been written in the late 19th and early 20th century. In chapter 2, I will therefore present a historical overview of the most important approaches in general which are also especially important for this study. Theories by Frazer, Tylor, Malinowski, Evans-Pritchard and Douglas will be sketched out. Beforehand I will try to discern the concepts of magic, witchcraft and sorcery in chapter 1 and name their most important aspects. This differentiation is important to do, since the meanings of the named terms have changed over the decades and there is still a bit of disaccord or confusion in the use and understanding of them today. In chapter 3, I will give a résumé of the monography 'The Witch-Hunt; or: a Triumph of Morality' by F.G. Bailey which is based on his fieldwork in an Indian village in 1953. He uses several anthropological approaches to explain and interpret the exceptional events that have taken place, drawing on functional, structural and psychological theories. Also in chapter 3, I will point out how Bailey provides empiric examples for theories stated by great anthropologists over the decades. Lastly, I will draw a conclusion and try to answer the questions I posed

above.

Luther Lyndal Roper 2016-12-06 In 'Luther' vertelt hoogleraar geschiedenis Lyndal Roper het levensverhaal van de Duitse Maarten Luther. Als de dan nog onbekende Maarten Luther op 31 oktober 1517 in een Duits stadje een theologisch pamflet op de deuren van de kerk spijkt, kan hij niet voorzien dat die daad het begin zal vormen van de moderne tijd. Zijn poging om het christendom te hervormen verdeelt de westerse kerk tot op het bot en brengt het geloof van de mensen in heel Europa aan het wankelen. De Reformatie is een feit. Maarten Luther (1483-1546) verenigde vele kanten in zich. Hij was een zeer gelovig mens maar werd tegelijk verscheurd door spirituele twijfel. Luther was een fantastisch schrijver wiens vertaling van de Bijbel de Duitse taal definitief zou vormen. Hij was een getrouwde ex-monnik die de menselijke seksualiteit bevrijdde van het stigma van de zonde. Een religieuze fundamentalist, een jodenhater en een politiek reactionair. In deze nieuwe, gezaghebbende biografie laat Lyndal Roper zien hoe een ogenschijnlijk kleine daad van verzet leidde tot een strijd tegen de overheersende macht van de kerk. Roper beschrijft de tegenstrijdige psychologische krachten waardoor Luther werd gedreven en de enorme invloed die hij heeft gehad op het verloop van de Europese geschiedenis. Nieuwe, gezaghebbende biografie over de man die de Reformatie ontketende Persuasions of the Witch's Craft T. M. Luhrmann 1991 Profiles the surprising number of otherwise "normal" people who practice magic and witchcraft in England today, detailing how they became involved in witchcraft, the history and tradition of magic, and other fascinating details

Studyguide for the Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft by Stein, Rebecca Cram101 Textbook Reviews 2013-05 Never HIGHLIGHT a Book Again Includes all testable terms, concepts, persons, places, and events. Cram101 Just the FACTS101 studyguides gives all of the outlines, highlights, and quizzes for your textbook with optional online comprehensive practice tests. Only Cram101 is Textbook Specific. Accompanies: 9780872893795. This item is printed on demand.

Witchcraft, Oracles and Magic Among the Azande Kitty Wheeler 2017-07-05 The history of anthropology is, to a large extent, the history of differing modes of interpretation. As anthropologists have long known, examining, analyzing and recording cultures in the quest to understand humankind as a whole is a vastly complex task, in which nothing can be achieved without careful and incisive interpretative work. Edward Evans-Pritchard's seminal 1937 *Witchcraft, Oracles, and Magic Among the Azande* is a model contribution to anthropology's grand interpretative project, and one whose success is based largely on its author's thinking skills. A major issue in anthropology at the time was the common assumption that the faiths and customs of other cultures appeared irrational or illogical when compared to the "civilized" and scientific beliefs of the western world. Evans-Pritchard sought to challenge such definitions by embedding himself within a tribal culture in Africa - that of the Azande - and attempting to understand their beliefs in their proper contexts. By doing so, Evans-Pritchard proved just how vital context is to interpretation. Seen within their context, he was able to show, the beliefs of the Azande were far from irrational - and magic actually formed a coherent system

that helped mould a functional community and society for the tribe. Evans-Pritchard's efforts to clarify meaning in this way have proved hugely influential, and have played a major part in guiding later generations of anthropologists from his day to ours.

Magic Witchcraft and Religion: A Reader in the Anthropology of Religion James Myers 2012-09-27 *Magic Witchcraft and Religion: A Reader in the Anthropology of Religion* takes an anthropological approach to the study of religious beliefs and practices, both strange and familiar. The engaging articles on all key issues related to the anthropology of religion grab the attention of students, while giving them an excellent foundation in contemporary ideas and approaches in the field. The multiple authors included in each chapter represent a range of interests, geographic foci, and ways of looking at each subject. Features of the ninth edition include new study questions and articles, as well as updated discussions on religion, illness, healing, and death.

Magic, Witchcraft and Religion Liam Murphy 2011-01-20

Handbook of Religion and the Authority of Science Jim R. Lewis 2010-11-19 The present collection examines the many different ways in which religions appeal to the authority of science. The result is a wide-ranging and uniquely compelling study of how religions adapt their message to the challenges of the contemporary world.

De heksenhamer Heinrich Institoris 2005 Het beruchte 15e eeuwse handboek voor inquisiteurs, ten behoeve van de opsporing en vervolging van heksen.

Anthropology of Religion 2014 *Religion and Culture* Annemarie de Waal Malefijt 1968 A comprehensive anthropological study of religion traces the history of the discipline,

discusses the archeological discoveries that have shed light on the development of religious consciousness, and examines the various manifestations, functions, and changes of religious customs and beliefs.

War Magic Douglas Farrer 2016-09-01 This compelling volume explores how war magic and warrior religion unleash the power of the gods, demons, ghosts, and the dead. Documenting war magic and warrior religion as they are performed in diverse cultures and across historical time periods, this volume foregrounds embodiment, practice, and performance in anthropological approaches to magic, sorcery, shamanism, and religion. The authors go beyond what magic 'represents' to consider what magic does. From Chinese exorcists, Javanese spirit siblings, and black magic in Sumatra to Tamil Tiger suicide bombers, Chamorro spiritual re-enchantment, tantric Buddhist war magic, and Yanomami dark shamans, religion and magic are re-evaluated not just from the practitioner's perspective but through the victim's lived experience. These original investigations reveal a nuanced approach to understanding social action, innovation, and the revitalization of tradition in colonial and post-colonial societies undergoing rapid social transformation.

Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion Liam D. Murphy 2021-08-09

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Anthropology and Religion Robert L. Winzeler 2012 Drawing from ethnographic examples found throughout the world, this revised and updated text, hailed as the "best general text on religion in anthropology available," offers an introduction to what anthropologists know or think about religion, how they have studied it, and how they interpret or explain it since the late 19th century.

Religion, Myth, and Magic Susan Ann Johnston 2010-01-25 Anthropologist Susan Johnston turns a scholarly eye on one of humankind's primary interests throughout history: the spiritual belief system.

The Anthropology of Religion in a Globalizing World Ida Fadzillah Leggett 2016-12-02 Anthropology of Religion in a Globalizing World focuses on religions and belief systems in a global, multi-cultural, popular, and constantly transforming world. Today's cultural groups exist across national borders and ethnic boundaries, and their religious ideologies rapidly adapt and follow suit. This book uses the lenses of gender, race, class, health and illness, the environment, and cyber space to present the concepts and interpretations of world religions and belief systems as modern, fluid, complex, and constantly changing, rather than static or outdated. "

Making Magic Randall Styers 2004-01-15 Since the emergence of religious studies and the social sciences as academic disciplines, the concept of "magic" has played a major role in defining religion and in mediating the relation of religion to

science. Across these disciplines, magic has regularly been configured as a definitively non-modern phenomenon, juxtaposed to distinctly modern models of religion and science. Yet this notion of magic has remained stubbornly amorphous. In *Making Magic*, Randall Styers seeks to account for the extraordinary vitality of scholarly discourse purporting to define and explain magic despite its failure to do just that. He argues that this persistence can best be explained in light of the Western drive to establish and secure distinctive norms for modern identity, norms based on narrow forms of instrumental rationality, industrious labor, rigidly defined sexual roles, and the containment of wayward forms of desire. Magic has served to designate a form of alterity or deviance against which dominant Western notions of appropriate religious piety, legitimate scientific rationality, and orderly social relations are brought into relief. Scholars have found magic an invaluable tool in their efforts to define the appropriate boundaries of religion and science. On a broader level, says Styers, magical thinking has served as an important foil for modernity itself. Debates over the nature of magic have offered a particularly rich site at which scholars have worked to define and to contest the nature of modernity and norms for life in the modern world.

The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft Rebecca Stein 2017-05-08 This concise and accessible textbook introduces students to the anthropological study of religion. Stein and Stein examine religious expression from a cross-cultural perspective and expose students to the varying complexity of world religions. The chapters incorporate key theoretical concepts

and a rich range of ethnographic material. The fourth edition of *The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft* offers: • increased coverage of new religious movements, fundamentalism, and religion and conflict/violence; • fresh case study material with examples drawn from around the globe; • further resources via a comprehensive companion website. This is an essential guide for students encountering anthropology of religion for the first time.

The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft -- Pearson eText
Rebecca L Stein 2015-08-07 This concise introductory textbook emphasizes the major concepts of both anthropology and the anthropology of religion. It is aimed at students encountering anthropology for the first time. Reviewers describe the text as vivid, rich, user-friendly, accessible, and well-organized. *The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft* examines religious expression from a cross-cultural perspective while incorporating key theoretical concepts. In addition to providing a basic overview of anthropology, including definition of key terms and exposure to ethnographies, the text exposes students to the varying complexity of world religions.

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Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion in the Media (Revised Second Edition)

Liam D. Murphy 2016-08-18 Western popular culture is saturated with ideas drawn from religious institutions and a variety of other forms of awareness. In an age that many view as secular, news accounts are replete with sensationalist stories about inexplicable supernatural events. The Occult, mythology, vampires, zombies, ghosts and apparitions, and paranormal activity are but a few of the supernatural or cosmological themes and images that are felt in everyday life. Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion in the Media, represents a unique effort to capture a cross-section of these events in media reportage and analyze them through the lens of anthropology. The essays selected for this text, which are drawn from a variety of news media and online sources, are clustered around important themes and discussed in terms of their impact on society. They illustrate how classic observations and theory made by social and cultural anthropologists

have real world application in everyday American life. This is an ideal supplemental text for introductory and general education courses on "the anthropology of religion," yet it is accessible to an educated public. Liam D. Murphy is a professor of anthropology at California State University, Sacramento. He is the author of many articles and research papers on religion, politics, and identity, published in such peer-reviewed journals as the Journal of Ritual Studies, the Journal of the Society for the Anthropology of Europe, Anthropology in Action, and the Anthropological Journal of European Cultures. He is also co-author (with Paul A. Erickson) of A History of Anthropological Theory (UTP Higher Education, 2013) and co-editor (with Paul A. Erickson) of Readings for a History of Anthropological Theory (UTP Higher Education, 2013). A specialist on religion in Northern Ireland, Murphy is also the author of Believing in Belfast: Charismatic Christianity after the Troubles (Carolina Academic Press, 2010). His current ethnographic research focuses on heavy metal and cultural identity in Western France.

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The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft Rebecca L. Stein 2008

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Antropologie voor Dummies Cameron McPherson Smith 2009 Inleiding tot de antropologie, het ontstaan van de mens en zijn cultuurvorming.

Magic, Witchcraft and the Otherworld Susan Greenwood 2020-08-02

Anthropology's long and complex relationship to magic has been strongly influenced by western science and notions of rationality. This book takes a refreshing new look at modern magic as practised by

contemporary Pagans in Britain. It focuses on what Pagans see as the essence of magic - a communication with an otherworldly reality. Examining issues of identity, gender and morality, the author argues that the otherworld forms a central defining characteristic of magical practice. Integrating an experiential ethnographic approach with an analysis of magic, this book asks penetrating questions about the nature of otherworldly knowledge and argues that our scientific frameworks need re-envisioning. It is unique in providing an insider's view of how magic is practised in contemporary western culture.

Ritual and Belief David Hicks
2010-03-15 **Ritual and Belief: Readings in the Anthropology of Religion** is a collection of 41 readings in religion, magic, and witchcraft. The choice of readings is eclectic: no single anthropological approach or theoretical perspective dominates the text. Theoretical significance, scholarly eminence of the author, and inherent interest provide the principal criteria, and each reading complements its companion chapters, which are pedagogically coherent rather than ad hoc assemblages. Included among the theoretical perspectives are structural-functionalism, structuralism, Malinowskian functionalism, cultural materialism, and cultural evolutionism; also included are the synchronic and diachronic approaches. The book offers a mixture of classic readings and more recent contributions, and the 'world religions' are included along with examples from the religions of traditionally non-literate cultures. As diverse a range of religious traditions as possible has been embraced, from various ethnic groups, traditions, and places.

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There is also a new final chapter on violence and religion. The book now contains a greater number of illustrations and each chapter ends with questions for discussion. Further resources are available via a comprehensive companion website.

Beyond Rationalism Bruce Kapferer
2003-02-01 This book seeks a reconsideration of the phenomenon of sorcery and related categories. The contributors to the volume explore the different perspectives on human sociality and social and political

constitution that practices typically understood as sorcery, magic and ritual reveal. In doing so the authors are concerned to break away from the dictates of a western externalist rationalist understanding of these phenomena without falling into the trap of mysticism. The articles address a diversity of ethnographic contexts in Africa, Asia, the Pacific and the Americas. The Anthropology of Religion, Magic, and Witchcraft Rebecca Lynne Stein
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