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#### Review

"This is an excellent book in many respects. It provides a detailed review of a wide range of issues of concern to developmental and social psychologists. It further provides a basis for a theoretical and methodological integration of these two branches of psychological investigation..... It is easily accessible, thoughtfully organized and clearly written. It will be of interest to teachers and researchers in these areas and will provide an invaluable sourcebook for students." *British Journal of Developmental Psychology*

"... this book is notable for its strengths and remarkable as the work of one person. It is also an accurate reflection of a wide range of theory and research in basic developmental and social psychology and, especially, the points of intersection of those specialities." *Contemporary Psychology*

"All in all, Durkin's book constitutes a thorough, well-organized and impeccably referenced textbook... *Developmental Social Psychology* is an invaluable source for any undergraduate studying developmental psychology, and all the more so for the novel connections it invites the student to make between the social and developmental literature." *BPS Developmental Psychology Section Newsletter, Spring 98*

"Durkin's textbook provides a representative overview of the discipline, one which addresses developmental psychology's Achilles heel, the child's relation with the social world. *Developmental Social Psychology* belongs to that genre of core undergraduate textbooks with representative chapters on infancy, language, social cognition, adolescence, moral development, adulthood and old age, and I have little doubt that it will be hailed as a comprehensive introduction to developmental psychology with a social-psychological orientation." *Michael A. Forrester, British Journal of Psychology*

#### From the Back Cover

Students attracted to both developmental psychology and social psychology often find that these have now become two almost independent disciplines. However, increasing numbers of researchers have begun to forge stronger connections between them, and the result is the now rapidly expanding developmental social psychology.

This book is the first to synthesise this exciting new area for undergraduates. Taking a topic-based approach, it emphasises the social contexts of development and the developmental aspects of social reasoning and social behaviour. Topical events and contemporary social issues are integrated into the text to emphasise the connections between research and the real world. The book provides a unique synthesis of literatures in developmental and social psychology from North America, Europe and Australasia.

#### About the Author

**Kevin Durkin** is professor of psychology at the university of western Australia. His research and teaching interests include child language development, children and the media, gender roles, and adolescent problem behaviour.

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