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***'A highly useful text which explains the associated disorders in all the key subject areas of cognitive psychology.'*** - Parveen Bhatarah, *School of Psychology, London Metropolitan University, UK*

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#### About the Author

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