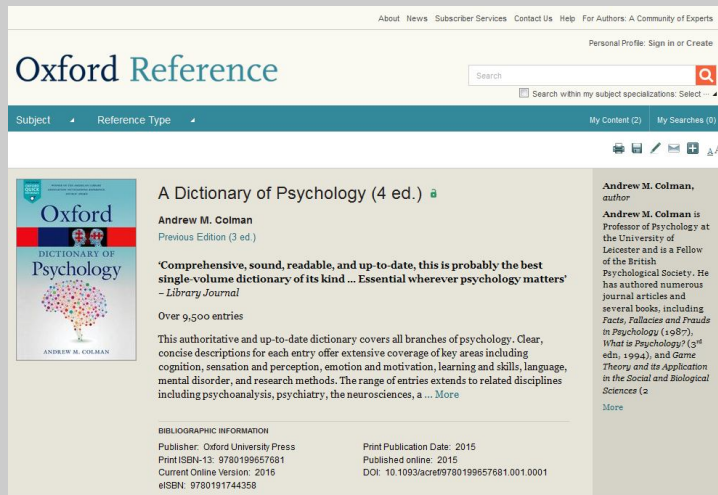


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## Brief History

First hardcover edition of the dictionary was published in the year 2001. In the year 2002 it was published in paperback form. The dictionary was reissued with corrections and new cover in 2003. The second edition came in 2006 and the third in 2009. The fourth edition published in the year 2015. This online version of the dictionary was also published in 2015. Print ISBN: 9780199657681 and eISBN: 9780191744358.

## Scope and Coverage

This dictionary includes 11,000 authoritative and up-to-date entries

covering all the branches of Psychology, including Psychoanalysis, Psychiatry, Criminology, Neuroscience and Statistics. It features comprehensive coverage of key areas of the subject e.g. - cognition, sensation and perception, emotion and motivation, learning and skills, language, mental disorder and research methods. Supplementary materials include lists of commonly used abbreviations and symbols, as well as of phobias and phobic stimuli, with definitions

### ***Kind of Information***

Entries provide clear and concise definitions, part of speech, word origins and derivations. Extensive cross-references are there for the ease of use. See and See also references are also available with each entry in the Dictionary. Related terms of a particular entry are also given in hyper link form. Some examples are given below for clear understanding.

- **abnormal psychology** *n.*

A branch of psychology devoted to the study of the classification, aetiology, diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental disorders and disabilities. Also called *psychopathology*. **Compare** clinical psychology.

- **cacosmia** *n.*

The hallucination or illusion of an unpleasant smell in the nostrils. Also spelt *kakosmia*.

**See also** anosmia, dysosmia, hyperosmia, hyposmia, parosmia, specific anosmia.

[From Greek *kakos* bad + *osme* a smell + *-ia* indicating a condition or quality]

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### **X-linked** *adj.*

Of or relating to a gene situated on the X chromosome or a character (2) or trait determined by such a gene. Most X-linked disorders and conditions, including Duchenne muscular dystrophy, haemophilia, and various forms of colour-blindness, are determined by recessive genes carried by females on an X chromosome but expressed predominantly in males who have only one X chromosome, preventing complementation from occurring. A female can inherit such a gene, but its effects are normally masked by a normal dominant allele, unless the female inherits the

abnormal allele from both parents. See also daltonism, hologynic, Horner's law, sex-linked. Compare Y-linked. **X-linkage** *n*.

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- ❖ List of Phobias and phobic stimuli is given. e.g.:

**ablutophobia**

Bathing. [From Latin *ablutio* the act of washing, from *abluere* to wash away]

**acarophobia**

Bugs, mites, and other small creatures. *Compare* microphobia, parasitiophobia. [From Greek *akari* a mite]

**accidents**

Dystychiphobia.

**acerbophobia**

Sour tastes. Also called *acerophobia*. [From Latin *acerbus* sour, from *acer* sharp]

**achluophobia**

Darkness. [From Greek *achlys* mist]

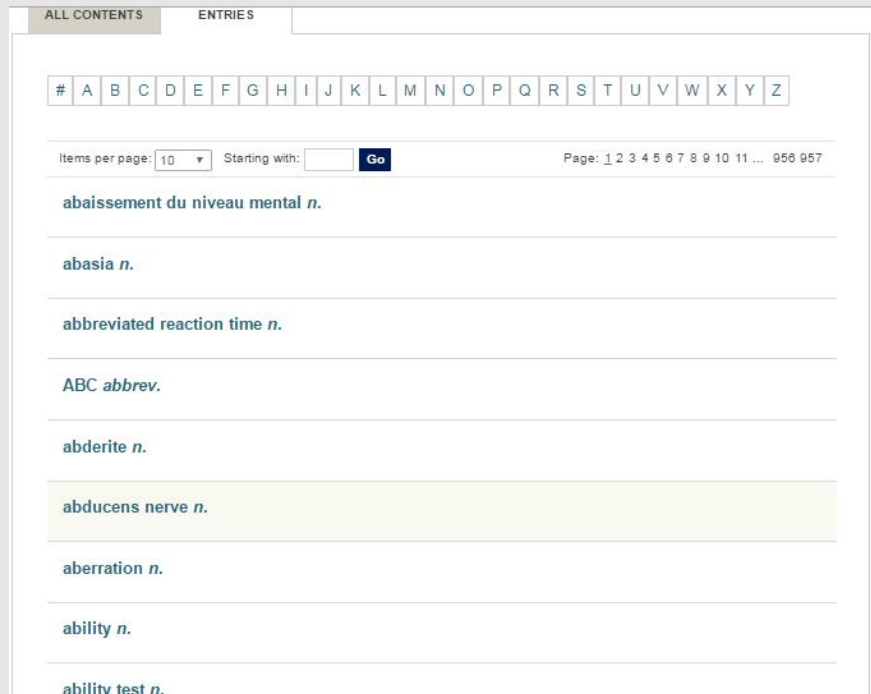
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**abulia** *n.*

**abuse (alcohol, child, elder, spouse, substance)**

**ABX paradigm** *n.*

**Remarks**

This Dictionary of Psychology is an invaluable work of reference for students and teachers of psychology and related disciplines, professionals, and is ideally suited to anyone with an interest in the workings of the mind. This site is also valuable for professionals and for anyone who comes into contact with the terms and concepts of psychology.

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