

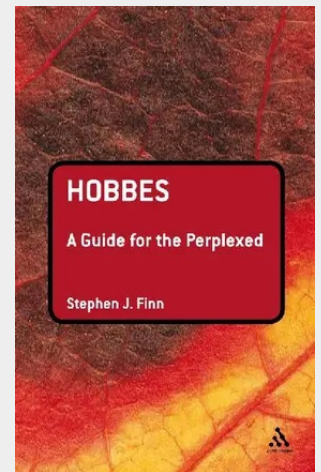
Hobbes

A Guide for the Perplexed

An undergraduate's guide to Thomas Hobbes - one of the foremost British philosophers and a staple of any philosophy degree course - providing clear and detailed interpretation and exploration of his work. All philosophy undergraduates will study Hobbes at some level - Unique approach: rather than offering a simple overview of Hobbes's thought, the text encourages the reader/ student to approach Hobbes through philosophical interpretation and inquiry - The structure of the text covers all areas of the philosophy curriculum in which the student will encounter Hobbes: metaphysics; epistemology; moral philosophy; political philosophy; philosophy of religion - Covers all the major texts, including, naturally, Leviathan - None of the competing texts are pitched at this level or take this approach - Strong series branding and promotion. Continuum's Guides for the Perplexed are clear, concise and accessible introductions to thinkers, writers and subjects that students and readers can find especially challenging. Concentrating specifically on what it is that makes the subject difficult to fathom, these books explain and explore key themes and ideas, guiding the reader towards a thorough understanding of demanding material. Thomas Hobbes is one of the foremost British philosophers; his Leviathan stands as one of the most important single works in the history of political philosophy, and any student of philosophy will be required to develop a thorough knowledge and understanding of Hobbes. Hobbes: A Guide for the Perplexed is the ideal resource for any student wishing to really engage with, and develop a sound understanding of, the work of this major philosopher. The text systematically covers all those areas of philosophy where Hobbes is a key player: metaphysics; epistemology; moral philosophy; political philosophy; the philosophy of religion. It explores Hobbes's philosophical method in depth and offers a valuable account of the historical background to Hobbes's thought. Most valuable for the student reader, this book actively promotes philosophical inquiry and interpretation. In setting out the different interpretations of Hobbes, the text requires the reader to evaluate their respective merits on the basis of the evidence provided. Hobbes: A Guide for the Perplexed, then, is both a philosophically rigorous introduction to Hobbes and an excellent primer in philosophical method, inquiry and debate.

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