



# The Road to the Future: Education for Creative Adaptation



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## Our Mission

**“...a main focus of ISHK’s work since our founding in 1969 has been to disseminate information and insights from psychology and other disciplines about who we are and how our minds work, so that we may be more conscious in shaping the future. Today...getting this kind of information and insight into the wider culture is more important than ever.” —Robert Ornstein**

Humanity now needs to adapt to a world that is far different from that of the past. A primary need at this critical point in human history is to understand our human nature. If we know who we are, how human beings evolved, what our possibilities and weaknesses are, we might correctly assess what we can change, adapt, and create, so that humanity and the planet thrive.

It is the mission of ISHK to gain such insight through the investigation of humanity’s biological and cultural evolution and to communicate new understanding in the human sciences to both professionals and the culture at large through symposia, curricula development, workshops and publications.



**BOOKS FOR  
AFGHANISTAN**  
has donated over  
**5.0 million books**  
since it started!

# Message from the Board



We continue to make significant progress with all of ISHK's programs in spite of the extraordinary challenges we all faced this year. David Sasseen, our President and Chairman, and the Board thank everyone who contributed time and financial support, enabling us to move forward during this time when ISHK's work and perspective are so vitally needed. Due to the extraordinary efforts of our volunteers and supporters, we have maintained and expanded all ISHK's established programs: CE@Home for Psychologists; Hoopoe Books publishing and outreach to under-served children in the US, Canada, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Europe and the Middle East; and the Human Journey website.

Robert Ornstein's forthcoming book, *God 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience Called "God,"* was completed just before his death. It was a collaboration with his wife, Sally M. Ornstein and is in the final editing phase for publishing in the Fall of 2021. It will be accompanied by the release of a new fourth edition of *The Psychology of Consciousness* and a reprint edition of *The Evolution of Consciousness*. These three titles are what Ornstein considered his most important works.

Once again, we could not have accomplished our work without the help of The Will J. Reid Foundation who has supported ISHK for more than seventeen years, as well as the help of many generous donors and extraordinary volunteers around the country and the world -- all who aim to maintain the mission of ISHK to allow us all to change, adapt and care for ourselves and the planet on which we all live.

## Early COVID Response

By early March it was clear that although COVID-19 might curtail some of our original plans, ISHK was in a position to provide important resources to address the needs of the moment. We acted quickly:

- A downloadable [Social Distancing Discussion Guide](#) was added to the Human Journey website to foster informed dialogue about the kind of world we want. As the world gains perspective, we are updating information on emerging impacts.
- A quick access point to our many [resources for parents and teachers](#) was added to the Hoopoe site to support the use of Idries Shah's teaching stories for distance learning for English- and Spanish-speaking children.
- We also took steps to ensure that thousands more children, teachers and parents have online access to these unique tales in their own languages. Partnering with The Asia Foundation, we were able to ensure that all Hoopoe books are available in their [Let's Read](#) free digital library in English, Dari, Pashto and Urdu. The Afghan online [Darakh-t-e-Danesh](#) Library now has our titles in seven bilingual editions, including six minority languages, enabling thousands more children to learn to read in their mother-tongue.
- On the CE at Home website, we curated a [list of books](#) especially suited to helping psychologists and their clients deal with the issues and concerns magnified by the pandemic – books psychologists can read from home to earn their CE credit. In the wake of the national focus on social justice, we added another list of titles on [race and diversity](#).

# Key 2020 Accomplishments

Thanks once more to the generous support of The Will J. Reid Foundation (WJRF) since 2002 and to the generous donations & services from so many volunteers, we were able to achieve significant advances in 2020, despite the crises in our world.

**GOD 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience Called “God”:** This is Robert Ornstein’s last work and it will be published in September 2021. And in 2021, we will release a new 4th Edition of *The Psychology of Consciousness*, and a reprint of *The Evolution of Consciousness*.

**THE HUMAN JOURNEY:** Each year more and more people continue to discover its unique resources – 130,000 users from January through November including an increasing number of schools. Ever more important this past year was to have resources such as The Human Journey website available to educators and parents. New sections added in 2020 include:

- **Learning from History--Progress from Crisis:** From the collapse of the Mycenaean civilization some 3,200 years ago, through the Arab “Golden Age,” there are important lessons for our own time.
- **Understanding Today’s Challenges:** The pandemic has heightened our sense of global interconnectedness. New sections on global economy, environmental complexities, and world health have been added and are continually being added.
- **Learning More About Who We Are:** New pieces on genetics, evolution, and heredity have been added.
- **Education & Outreach:** We have added a “Social Distancing Discussion Guide” and we plan to expand this to offer new ways for teachers, students and others to navigate information on the website. We completed the content and supporting materials for a prototype Live Action Role Play (LARP).

**HOOPOE BOOKS:** Hoopoe Book’s mobile website ([www.hoopoebooks.com](http://www.hoopoebooks.com)) provides the most recent updates on the publication and distribution of our children’s books.

**Hoopoe Books for the Diasporas:** We began this multicultural program in 2018 in response to the worldwide refugee crisis. Our goal is to provide refugee children and their parents with the opportunity to

read Hoopoe books in their own language as well as bilingual editions in English, French or German.

**SHARE LITERACY:** Now in its 19th year, our Share Literacy Program Chapters in CA, MA, DC, NC, and other states have served over 755,000 disadvantaged children in schools, homeless shelters, family health programs, teacher-training organizations, and literacy programs. Even during the trying Covid-19 year, our chapters were able to distribute over 8,900 Hoopoe books in the USA. Our Canadian friends, The Institute for Cultural Exchange ([ICEeducation.org](http://ICEeducation.org)), distribute hundreds of Hoopoe books in Canada and Mexico.

**BOOKS FOR AFGHANISTAN:** Thanks to the help and generosity of our supporters, we have now distributed over **5.0 million Hoopoe books** in Dari-Pashto, English, and minority languages. Our book donation program was hampered at the start of the COVID-19 crisis, but by the end of 2020, our Afghan partners had found safe ways to get books to children.

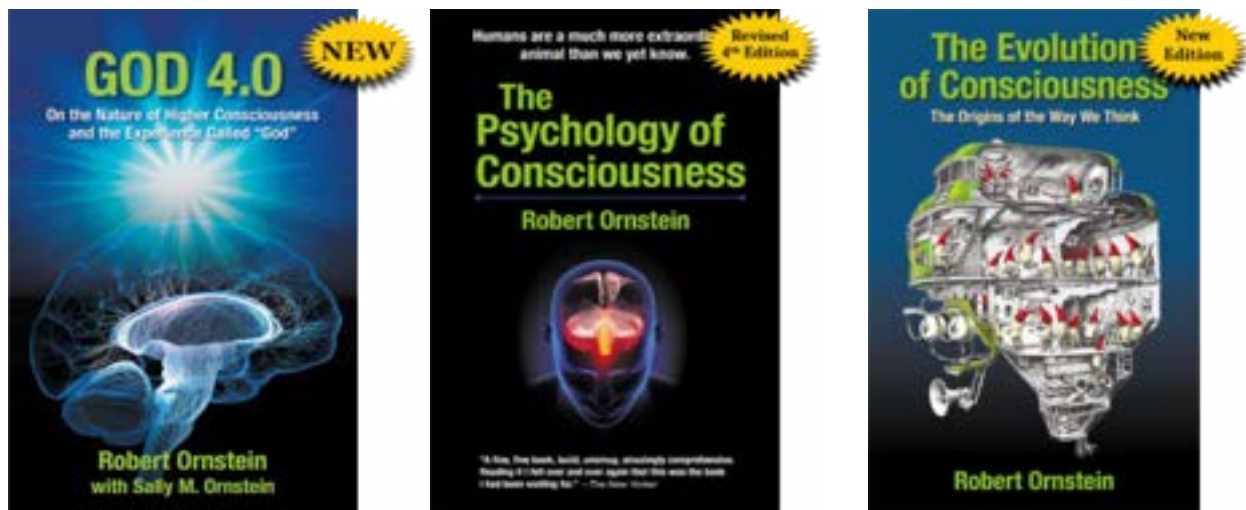
**Afghan Minority Language Program:** We have distributed more bilingual editions for Afghan communities. Read more about some milestones in the Books for Afghanistan section of this report.

**BOOKS FOR PAKISTAN:** With donor support for our Hoopoe Books for Pakistan program, some 4,500 Urdu-English and 1,300 Urdu-Sindhi Hoopoe books were sent to girls in an under-served area of Hyderabad Sindh. With schools closed because of COVID-19, our partner Alif Laila and their team there found safe ways to distribute all these books.

**MALOR BOOKS:** In 2021, we will announce the release of the new Robert Ornstein book, *God 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience called “God,”* a new revised 4th edition of *The Psychology of Consciousness* and a reprint edition of *The Evolution of Consciousness*.

**CE@HOME:** We created a new mobile friendly website: <https://psychology-ce.org/> and added or updated new coursework for psychologists in such categories as Psychology of Consciousness, Mindfulness, Cultural & Social Psychology, Clinical Psychology, and much more. Our website offers new groupings for psychologists to expand on treatments during the Covid crisis, as well as a group of essential works on Race and Diversity.

# An Update on 3 Forthcoming Books



In the Fall of 2021 ISHK's Malor Books will publish Robert Ornstein's new book, *God 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience called "God,"* and release a new fourth edition of his *The Psychology of Consciousness* and a reprint edition of *The Evolution of Consciousness*.

*God 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience Called "God"* is a posthumous work by Robert Ornstein in collaboration with his wife, Sally M. Ornstein. Combining Ornstein's own work with new findings from modern research in the fields of archeology, anthropology, religious studies, genetics, and psychology, Dr. Ornstein gives an accurate new understanding of how a transcendent shift in consciousness is produced. He wrote:

"Since the early 1970s, more information regarding human nature, consciousness, and about our own religions' histories has been discovered than in all the years before. It is thanks to this modern research—from archeology to anthropology to religious studies, to genetics, and especially to psychology—that, by combining these findings with my own work, *God 4.0* gives an accurate new understanding of how a transcendent shift in consciousness, which some have called 'seeing God,' is produced."

When first published, *The Psychology of Consciousness* and *The Evolution of Consciousness* explored the two modes of consciousness of the left and right brain hemispheres and provided a critical understanding of how the brain evolved. Ornstein considered these, along with *God 4.0: On the Nature of Higher Consciousness and the Experience called "God,"* his most important writings.

The three works together will provide a fundamental reconsideration of ancient religious and spiritual traditions in the light of advances in brain science and psychology. They explore the potential and relevance of this knowledge to contemporary needs and to our shared future.

# The Human Journey - <http://humanjourney.us>



We launched The Human Journey site in 2017, and each year more and more people continue to discover its unique resources – 130,000 users from January through November including an increasing number of schools. We continue to expand and update the content and increase outreach to teachers, students and the general public.

**Learning from History: Progress from Crisis** Throughout our history, crisis has been the wellspring of humanity’s most progressive ideas and institutions. We’ve added information about two notable examples:

- How the devastating collapse of the Mycenaean civilization some 3,200 years ago led to the birth of democracy in archaic Greece.
- How some 1,200 years ago, the scholars of the Arab “Golden Age” centered in Baghdad and Cordoba developed and aided the transmission of classical Greek thought and culture, ultimately contributing to the birth of the European Renaissance.

Both of these stories hold important lessons for our own time: how and why civilizations rise and collapse, and how a culture of learning and tolerance is essential if we are to emerge from crises in ways that advance human development.

**Understanding Today’s Challenges** The pandemic has heightened our sense of global interconnectedness. We need to put aside our notions of “us” and “them” to secure a sustainable future.

- A new overview of Devex founder Raj Kumar’s book, *The Business of Changing the World*, explores how the money and approaches of billionaires are impacting the aid industry.
- A new piece on debt forgiveness explores an ancient tradition that cuts right across the ideology of the debt-economy in which we live.
- A new piece on the impact of plastic – we can’t live with it and we can live without it – highlights the complexity of the environmental challenges we face.
- We are researching and writing other new sections including an expanded overview of health in the US and an in-depth look at contemporary technology and the implications for our future.

**Learning More About Who We Are** Breakthroughs in genomic analysis now give us an unparalleled opportunity to trace humanity’s evolution and movement in time.

- A new piece, “Genetics and Human Evolution,” explores what this technology is telling us about how we developed, differentiated and interbred many times, and arrived at our present planet-wide population.
- A report on Carl Zimmer’s book, *She Has Her Mother’s Laugh: The Powers, Perversions and Potential of Heredity*, explores how our understanding of heredity has come a long way and holds much promise; but we’ll need wise judgment to manage the science of genetic engineering.

**Education and Outreach** In addition to the Human Journey “Social Distancing Discussion Guide,” in 2020 we were able to create other new ways for teachers, students and anyone interested to navigate the wealth of information available on the website:

- Pathways to Key Insights: The Human Journey draws from every phase of human history and from many disciplines. This new point of entry crisscrosses the site and offers useful shortcuts to “connect the dots” and uncover the most important insights for yourself. In addition, Explore Your Interests highlights many topics of interest available to explore.
- We completed the content and supporting materials for a prototype Live Action Role Play (LARP) focused on our Paleolithic Beginnings. Our pilot plans were thwarted by the pandemic, but with the support of our donors, we are now exploring the development of a digital version.
- In 2021, we will continue to test new ways to engage more people, possibly including webinars, new discussion guides, expanded social media presence, and expanded partnerships with compatible sites, organizations, media, and experts.



## Hoopoe Books for the Diasporas

We began this multicultural program in 2018 in response to the worldwide refugee crisis. Our goal is to provide refugee children and their parents with the opportunity to read Hoopoe books in their own language as well as bilingual editions in English, French or German.

- We currently have 12 bilingual editions of our books available through Amazon and Ingram.
- Early in 2020 we provided Spanish-only and Spanish-English bilingual editions to children of immigrant families through [Educate Immigration](http://EducateImmigration.org) and [Imagine LA](http://ImagineLA.org).
- Through Echo Mobile Library and the International School of Peace, we provided books for Afghan and Syrian children stranded in refugee camps in Greece.
- We are currently connecting to organizations in the Middle East who serve refugee children from Syria, and hope to do more in 2021 in that part of the world.

## Hoopoe Websites

Visit our websites for up-to-date information on all our Hoopoe programs:

- [www.hoopoebooks.com](http://www.hoopoebooks.com)
- <https://www.shareliteracy.org/index.htm#news>
- <https://booksforafghanistan.org/news/>
- <https://booksforpakistan.org/our-progress/>
- <http://booksforrefugees.org>

## Facebook, YouTube, & Instagram

Thanks to our volunteers, Hoopoe continues to update our Facebook, YouTube and Instagram social media sites. Follow us there and on our websites to get the latest news for Hoopoe Books, Books for Afghanistan, Books for Pakistan, and Share Literacy – by signing up on Facebook and Instagram.



## You can help ...

Reviews on Amazon do help sell our books, please spend a little time to write a short review of your favorite Hoopoe title. We have improved our YouTube presence for Hoopoe Books and its programs.

You can help us grow these channels by visiting them and hitting the Subscribe button for each channel and the “like” button for all the individual videos within them. We need 100 subscribers for each of the new channels! This will allow us to create custom URLs to make the channels more easily found in searches and more viable in general. Here are the links:

- [YouTube Channels](#)
- [Hoopoe Books](#)
- [Hoopoe Books Programs](#)
- [All About Me](#)

# Share Literacy - [www.shareliteracy.org](http://www.shareliteracy.org)



Since this program started in 2000, Share Literacy volunteers have distributed over **755,000** Hoopoe books to schools, early child development centers, youth programs, homeless shelters, hospitals & clinics, and community service centers. Many organizations, some of the most current are listed on the next page, depend on our help every year to brighten up the lives of the children they serve. Educators around the country continue to use our excellent standards-aligned teacher lesson plans available as free downloads on the [www.hoopoebooks.com](http://www.hoopoebooks.com) site.

For over 19 years, the Share Literacy Holiday & other Give-Away Programs have given Hoopoe books and kits in English and Spanish-English bilingual editions to young children in shelters and in schools serving at-risk children throughout the US, Mexico and Canada. These gifts are coordinated by Share Chapter volunteers in California, Massachusetts, DC, New York, North Carolina, Colorado, and many other states.

**The COVID-19** crisis is deepening the gap between rich and poor children. Teachers and program directors in under-served areas have come to rely on Hoopoe books and materials to supplement children's literacy curricula. At the start of the pandemic, the distribution of physical books and our in-person teacher training sessions were in danger. But thanks to generous support, we were able to continue the program:

- Donations matched a \$10,000 grant from the Will J. Reid Foundation to develop a version of the program for distance learning. This \$20,000 is enabling us to record teacher training sessions and post them. Teachers, parents and caregivers will be able to use these lessons on our website as guidance for students who are now attending school from home.
- In Washington DC, we will be running three after-school programs in early 2021 for children from preK - 8th grade: two at [Montgomery Housing Partnership](#) (MHP) and another at [Jubilee Housing](#). An MHP virtual learning pilot showed that simply viewing illustrations on the screen during Zoom sessions doesn't hold students' attention, but children can sustain engagement and

participate more authentically when they have the books in their hands. As part of our program, three Hoopoe books plus art materials and school supplies will be safely mailed to all participating children.

- Other organizations found safe methods to provide books to children for the holiday season. So far, aided by your generous donations, we've been able to send books to the [Children's Book Project](#), [Grail Family Services](#), and to Reach Out and Read Colorado, ensuring that Idries Shah's books for children are a part of these impactful programs.
- Thanks to the Will J. Reid Foundation and our supporters, we were able to provide over 1,080 Hoopoe books to **CampFire USA** in Long Beach, CA. The books included three Idries Shah titles in English and English-Spanish bilingual editions, along with 180 copies of *Tales from THE DREAMER* by Rita Wirkala.

"The home is the first place children learn. Study after study show that children who are encouraged to read at home do much better in school, and children from households where this is not the case arrive at school each day with a major disadvantage."

—Susan Josephs, literacy consultant with Hoopoe Books

**THANKS TO OUR SUPPORTERS AND VOLUNTEERS,  
THIS YEAR, OVER 8,900 UNDER-SERVED CHILDREN  
IN THE USA RECEIVED A HOOPOE BOOK  
OF THEIR OWN**



## Share Literacy (Continued)

### Over 41 Schools and/or Family Organizations Received Books in 2020-early 2021, including:

Adelphi Elementary School, Adelphi, MD  
Alum Rock Unified School District, San Jose, CA  
(18 elem. schools)  
Brookside Community Health Ctr., Jamaica Plain, MA  
CampFire USA, Long Beach, CA  
Children's Book Project, San Francisco, CA  
Coolidge High School Alumni Assoc., Washington, DC  
Grail Family Services, San Jose, CA  
Hampshire Tower Apts. Tenant's Assoc, Takoma Park, MD  
Jubilee Housing, Washington, DC\*  
Kabultec, Falls Church, VA  
Making Home Possible, Wheaton, MD  
Montgomery Housing Project, Silver Spg., MD  
New Haven Reads, New Haven, CT  
North Carolina programs:  
Moore County Literacy Council  
Northern Moore Family Resource Center  
Highfalls Elementary School  
Read Out and Read Programs, Denver, CO  
Small Things Matter, Rockville, MD  
Takoma Park Lunch & Learn, Takoma Park, MD  
YMCA Metro, Washington, DC

\* Steve Whitney of Share Literacy's DC Chapter reports: "A positive recent note, the Jubilee Housing CEO, Jim King, gave Share Literacy a shout-out at a recent virtual event for his community supporters - these include funders for their growing number of affordable housing projects - and during the event, Audrey Walker, the director of family services said that our collaboration was important and on-going."

"THANK YOU for the book donations! These are very appealing texts! The timing is excellent: parents have started telling us they want real books, not just electronic resources... Most of our families are overwhelmed with needs at this time: they can't afford books, and it's challenging for them to pick up books from the library. This really makes a difference."

—**Judy Viertel, Teacher Librarian, Marshall Elementary School, San Francisco.** (Received books through the Children's Book Project, San Francisco)



Children in Moore County Literacy Council, NC, enjoying new Hoopoe Books



Teachers & Families in Share Literacy programs continue to take advantage of Hoopoe's online and free downloadable activities and guides. Children can make puppets, felt-board characters, and much more to enhance their reading experience for each of the Hoopoe books.



Teachers from remote schools in Costa Rica share a photo of books they received in early January.

# Books for Afghanistan - [www.booksforafghanistan.org](http://www.booksforafghanistan.org)

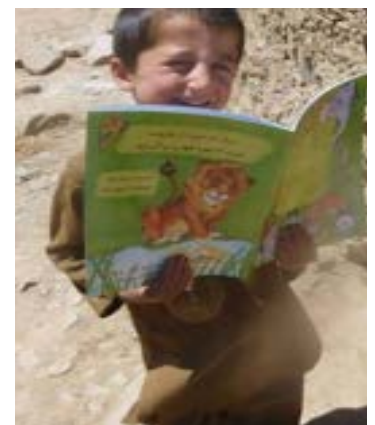


We began the [Hoopoe Books for Afghanistan](#) program 13 years ago, and thanks to our amazing partners in Kabul, including our implementing partner Khatiz Organization for Rehabilitation (KOR), we have now distributed a total of 5,019,381 books! Our book donation program was hampered at the start of the COVID-19 crisis, but by the end of this year, our Afghan partners had found safe ways to get books to children.

- We delivered 58,285 books in Dari-Pashto, 21,040 books in English, 10,000 books in Shugni-Dari, and 22,000 books in Sawji-Pashto.
- Thanks to our friends in Canada, we are currently distributing 24,000 books to Turkmen Afghans in their mother tongue paired with Dari, the national language children will need when they enter first grade.
- To meet the many requests for new titles, we have decided to publish an Afghan edition of *The Man with Bad Manners* by Idries Shah.
- As soon as we can, we will reprint all 13 of our Dari-Pashto editions. We hope also to provide many more thousands of books in Uzbeki-Dari.

## Here is recent news from some of our partners:

**SIL International/SAMAR** Thanks to SAMAR, more Afghan minority language Hoopoe books were distributed this year to schools. The students asked if it was possible to bring them more books like these if they are printed. They said that this was the first time that they had seen many books printed in the Sawji language, and they are very interested and happy in seeing more. The pictures below are from the 2019-2020 Sawji-Pashto book distributions in Qala Khily and Whadat Mena.



In June, SAMAR's Shughni Project received 10,000 Hoopoe Books in Shughni-Dari bilingual editions. See the happy boy on the right receiving his book.

**The Lamia Afghan Foundation** recently completed building the Haidari Memorial Primary School in the Shindan District, Herat Province, in a village call Shorab. It is for 300 children, each of whom will have a set of Hoopoe books, and their teacher, Hoopoe Teacher Guides.

## Books for Afghanistan (Continued)

**The Hadia Foundation/Moska Mobile Library** Hadia operates the Moska Mobile Library and also gives out books to children directly. Earlier in the year, our partners in Kabul were finally able to deliver 2,000 each of our Dari-Pashto bilingual titles and 500 each of our English titles—30,000 books in all—to the Hadia warehouse for distribution throughout the year. They were able to reopen operations in mid-July and write that their mobile library returned to “areas that were only partially covered” prior to the pandemic closings. More than 200 books are given out daily to children in different villages. Below are some pictures from Nangarhar, Laghman, and Kunar Provinces.



**Aschiana Foundation** is a non-profit organization founded to serve the rising number of street-working children in Kabul. The Foundation writes: “Story telling has been an ancient and effective way to learn. We at Aschiana run a Mobile Library for the children who do not have access to a library or books. Our staff members share stories with the children with a social message to inculcate hope, love of humanity among them.”



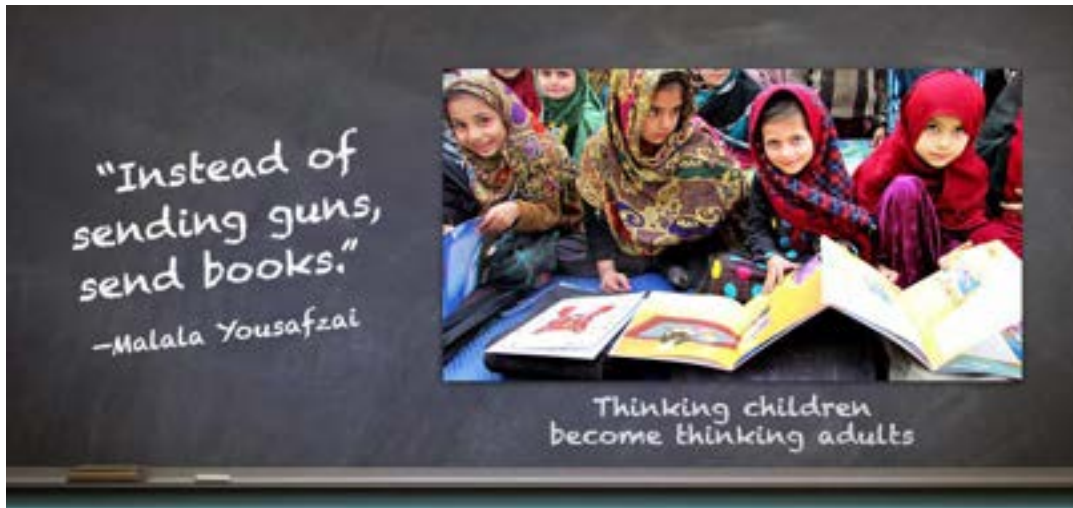
The pictures to the left of a session at Shahrak-e-Police Internally Displaced Person (IDP) camp are from Aschiana.

**Care International in Afghanistan** Last winter we were able to donate 12,000 books and 2,100 teacher’s guides, along with tapes and CDs to them for distribution to libraries in their Multi Grade and Leave No Girls Behind programs in Parwan, Kapisa, Paktia, Ghazni and Khost Provinces. Almost 4,000 students are benefiting from access to these books and requesting more.

Happy little girl in Ghazni Province receiving a book distributed by Care International. Almost 4,000 students have access to these books.



**Peace and Friendship** is a group of young volunteer activists, whose aim is to promote a culture of voluntarism, helping poor and marginalized families and providing humanitarian services. We were able to deliver 5,000 Dari-Pashto bilingual and 2,000 English books to their Kabul office for distribution. The photo to the left shows some of the recipients.



"When the teacher handed her packet of books, her eyes filled with tears of joy because she had never seen such illustrative storybooks in her life. She said this was the best gift she has ever received."

**—Dr. Saira Khan about young Fatima from Hyderabad Sindh**

Our Books for Pakistan was initiated in 2010. With donor support for our Hoopoe Books for Pakistan program, some 4,500 Urdu-English and 1,300 Urdu-Sindhi Hoopoe books were sent to girls in an under-served area of Hyderabad Sindh. With schools closed because of COVID-19, the team there found safe ways to distribute all these books.

- Our partner [Alif Laila Book Bus Society](#) (ALBBS) went into swift action to develop an Online Hoopoe Primary School Master Teacher Training. We developed a new, more comprehensive curriculum using our 12 books that is now being translated into Urdu to become part of this program. Mrs. Basarat Kasim, the president of ALBBS, writes, "We are excited to see how the teachers will transfer what they are exposed to, to the children."
- The Islamic Development Bank funded mobile libraries in the Azad Jammu and Kashmir regions in the northernmost part of Pakistan and asked ALBBS to conduct teacher training programs for the 337 government schools in the area. The Hoopoe master teacher-training program will be implemented and a set of Hoopoe books distributed to all these schools.
- We continue to distribute Urdu-English bilingual Hoopoe books by Idries Shah through their IBBY Library-in-a-box program, reaching schoolrooms in remote areas of the country where there are often no storybooks at all.
- We were also able to publish and distribute a new title, an English-Urdu edition of *The Stranger's Farewell* by Palwasha Bazger Salam.

## **2020 News from ALBBS**

**May 2020** - This year, before the COVID virus lockdown, ALBBS had already distributed 45 Box Libraries to under-served schools. These contain 100 books (including 2 sets of all 10 Hoopoe Books in Urdu-English editions), teaching materials and projects. These are often given to schools that have no library at all. There are more than 300 requests awaiting fulfillment.

"We sent out a total of 365 Hoopoe Books to the [Doors of Awareness](#) school children to be distributed to them after the Eid holidays. These children are the poorest of the poor but truly gifted in art. We have also sent them basic materials so that they can make puppets etc., around the books as they read them."

**—Basarat Kazim, President, Alif Laila Book Bus Society (ALBBS) in Lahore, Pakistan**

## Books for Pakistan (Continued)

**June 2020** - Dr. Saira Khan requested English-Urdu and Urdu-Sindhi books from us for government girls schools lacking libraries in the rural area of Tauluka Hyderabad, Sindh. Dr. Khan is a government officer of Provincial Management Service and currently posted as Tauluka Education Officer at Hyderabad. Thanks to our wonderful partners Alif Laila Book Bus Society, who packed and shipped the 4,500 Urdu-English and 1,300 Urdu-Sindhi Hoopoe books, we were able to get the books to Dr. Khan in under a week! We were excited to receive this letter and photographs of girls and their drawings – it reminds us all that our Hoopoe programs do make a difference.



Prior to the COVID-19 restrictions ALBBS held a Day with Hoopoe Books. The children made puppets, artwork, costumes, and plays relating to the stories. Above, girls drawing scenes from *The Man and the Fox*, and a little girl proudly holding her drawing of *The Farmer's Wife*. On the right, boys dressed for *The Magic Horse* play.



“Reeta Kumari, a 12-year-old, who is an outstanding student of her school, told that she is a huge fan of stories, but as she belongs to a humble Kohli (Lower Hindu Community) family, she cannot afford fancy books on her own. The joy in her voice after seeing the storybooks by ALBBS and Hoopoe books was unbelievable...”

Thanks a lot, to ALBBS and Hoopoe books for opening this wonderful world of knowledge for these poor rural girls. They can now enjoy the privilege of reading irrespective of their social or economic background. You have proved that we can achieve Sustainable Development Goal-4 of education for all.”

—Dr. Saira Khan

The [Books for Pakistan](#) website has so many other News items, photos, and letters

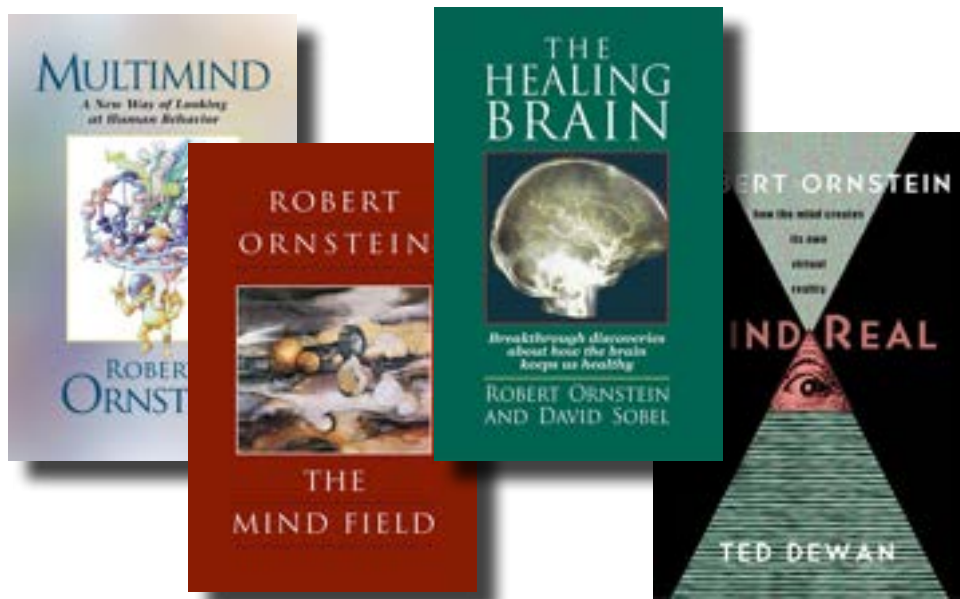


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Since it was launched in 1995, ISHK's Malor Books publishing has maintained our objective to publish and keep seminal works available in print as well as in digital formats. Malor Books publications are used in hundreds of university courses around the world. In order to ensure that the information contained in these definitive titles remains available for future generations, libraries, booksellers and individual readers are able to purchase books through our website and online distributors, such as Ingram and Amazon.com.

In 2021, we will launch an exciting new look to our website with many useful features.



## eBooks

Since 2017, Amazon Kindle and Apple iBooks editions are available for our eleven Hoopoe titles by Idries Shah, and the four titles in our **All About Me** series are also available on Kindle.



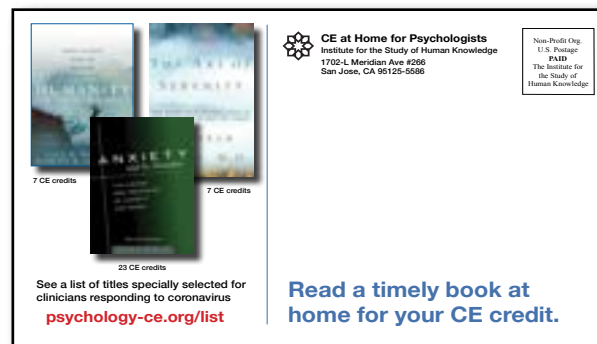
# Continuing Education at Home

**For Psychologists: <https://psychology-ce.org>**

Since its inception more than 20 years ago, ISHK's continuing education program has given thousands of psychologists easy access to the latest information about the nature of human development, enabling them to earn CE credit for reading the best books in the field.

- In 2020 we completed the transition to a completely online program, including test-taking and certification. We introduced two groupings of courses on dealing with important issues in psychology during the Coronavirus crisis and courses relevant to Race and Diversity issues. In addition, we added new and updated courses in such categories as Psychology of Consciousness, Mindfulness, Cultural & Social Psychology, Emotions & Feelings, and Clinical Psychology
- In 2021 we will be continuing to expand and promote our offering to reach more psychologists with even more courses.

Ratings for this program continue to be very high and it serves to educate professionals on new ideas about human nature. Our quarterly email mailings are proving to be successful in alerting more and more psychologists to our program, and to keep them up to date on our offerings. We now mail a postcard twice a year to highlight our program and new courses.



## ISHK Administration

In December 2018, the ISHK Board of Directors announced that attorney and long-time associate of ISHK, David Sasseen, agreed to serve as President of the Institute. (Read more about David on our [www.ishk.net](http://www.ishk.net) website.)

All book and program fulfillment operations are now run through our website and Ingram and Amazon online services. Volunteers and a small, part-time staff keep our accounts, mailing list, websites, Facebook and social media updates going. We are grateful to everyone who has helped us over the years, and who continue to do so.

Anyone interested in helping any of our programs, or need further information on our programs, please contact us at [ISHKadmin@ishk.net](mailto:ISHKadmin@ishk.net).

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