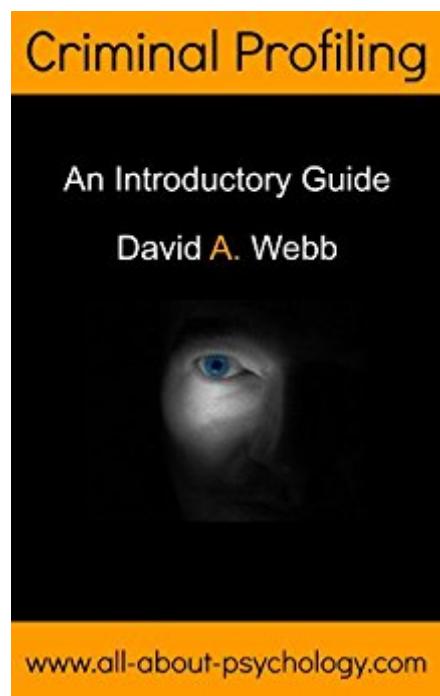


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# Criminal Profiling: An Introductory Guide



## **Synopsis**

Written by a lecturer in psychology and designed to let you dive straight into this fascinating topic, Criminal Profiling: An Introductory Guide is based on a series of classes from an undergraduate program in forensic psychology. The guide provides clear and concise information on central issues such as the origins of criminal profiling, FBI profiling methodology and limitations; and whether becoming a profiler is a realistic career path. If you are interested in criminal profiling and would like to learn more, Criminal Profiling: An Introductory Guide is the perfect place to start.

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## **Customer Reviews**

The terminology was extremely easy to understand. I believe that criminal profiling is as complex as the human brain. Having read this book, I have come away with more respect for profilers than before. The author gives honest answers about what the requirements are to get a job in this field. He's brutally honest about how tough it's just to be considered. You need to be patient, determined, and a college degree wouldn't hurt.

As stated by a number of other reviewers, this is a pamphlet, not a book. My fault for not looking at

the pages listed, but with so many good reviews I overlooked that responsibility. Still, there are dozens of other books out there that are much more thorough and helpful. Plus, a student of mine looked it over for less than a minute and found two mistakes.

The publication is written in an easy conversational style, and is supported by interesting examples throughout, thus demystifying the image of CP from the media hype. The author's aim was to provide the lay reader (and psychology student), with a brief overview and insight into Criminal Profiling. A very interesting introduction. All it needed was a good proofread and a bit of editing or rephrasing here and there. Otherwise, well worth the read! I definitely feel this publication will make a good impact. I would recommend this publication to people who just want to know in a nutshell what Criminal Profiling in the field of Forensic Psychology is about. Much success! I look forward to more of this author's work.

This book, Criminal Profiling: An Introductory Guide is an excellent read and very informative with info that is straight to the point and lots of links to other websites and books for further information. I highly recommend this book for anyone interested in or pursuing a career in forensics.

Gives you some background, some ideas on what's involved & where to start - and what to expect, well worth the read.

I wouldn't say I loved this book, because the topic is rather disturbing. However, I learned a lot about characteristics of criminals and how law enforcement go about finding them. It was written in clear and understandable language. I will keep it as a resource.

This deserves negative stars. It is repetitious ("sincerely") and wordy. In one paragraph, he defines a term three times using the same phrase. It could have been written in much fewer than 36 pages of large type and wide margins. The language is sometimes stilted (contacting the FBI "telephonically"). There are few facts, just lots of words. My profile: This is a person who considers himself intelligent. He brackets his "work" with his degrees, none of which are PhDs. He is concerned with his image. He deliberately omits the specifics of his teaching experience. My guess is that he was a TA or part time lecturer at a community college or small university at best. He seeks approval by diametrically promoting himself as "above-the-crowd" superior and "one-of-the-guys" friendly because he has never felt at ease socially and bases his entire identity on his perceived

intellect, though beneath the facade he is deathly afraid he and his public will discover he is a fake. If conning people into buying this self-published meaningless rhetoric passes for "smart," he has a lock on it, but that's the best I can say. If buying a piece of lint for about 35 cents a leaf is dumb, I have a lock on it. Just a thought, I wonder how many of those high ratings were sent by family members or students in search of favor. Or even the writer himself.

This is a great little book. Its perfect for anyone with a general interest in forensic psychology and wants to know more about criminal profiling - particularly as it pertains to the FBI. If you want to know a general overview and learn more about whatâ™s required to become a profiler with the FBI this book is the perfect read. I think this is a must read if you know every little on the subject but want to know more without committing to a complex text book or forensicsâ™/criminology course.

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