Julian Jaynes Society
Self-Study Course on Jaynesian Theory
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Section 1: Jaynesian Theory 101 (Weeks 1–4)


Section 2: Consciousness & Language (Weeks 5–8)


Further Reading:


Section 3: Auditory Hallucinations & Schizophrenia (Weeks 9–12)


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Further Reading:


Section 4: The Early Greeks (Weeks 13–16)


2. E.R. Dodds, The Greeks and the Irrational, 1951, Ch. 1–3, 5, Appendix II.


Further Reading:


8. R.B. Onians, The Origins of European Thought: About the Body, the Mind, the Soul, the World, Time & Fate, 1988.

Section 5: The Dual Brain (Weeks 17–20)


Section 6: Bicameralism in Ancient Civilizations (Weeks 21–24)


Further Reading:

Section 7: The Mentality of of Pre-Literate and Pre-Modern Peoples (Weeks 25–29)

1. Lucien Lévy-Bruhl, Primitive Mentality, 1923, 1975, Ch. 1, 2, 4–7, 12.
2. Lucien Lévy-Bruhl, How Natives Think, 1926, 1985, Ch. 8 and 9.

Further Reading:

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Section 8: Neurotheology & the Origin of Religion (Weeks 30–34)


Further Reading:

Section 9: Hypnosis, Possession, and Trance States (Weeks 35-39)


Further Reading:

Section 10: Dreams (Bicameral Dreams vs. Conscious Dreams) (Weeks 40-42)

Further Reading:


Section 11: Consciousness & Hallucinations in Children (Weeks 43-46)


Further Reading:


Section 12: Poetry, Literature & The Gods (Weeks 47-52)


Further Reading:

10. Andrew Lang, Walter Leaf, Ernest Myers (translators), The Iliad of Homer, 1900.

Optional Section: Consciousness & Modern Life


Further Reading: