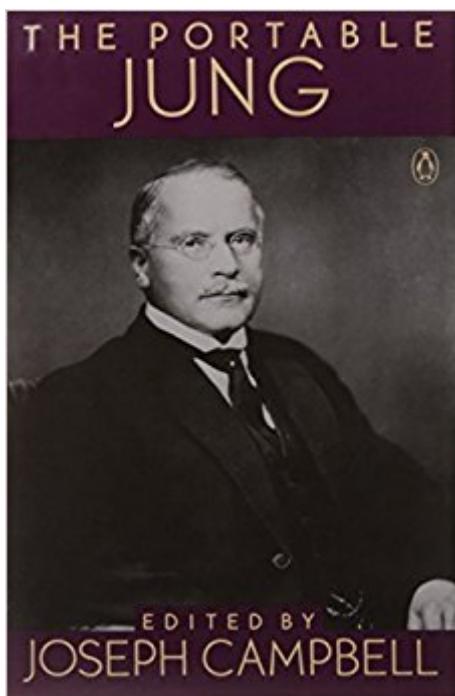


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Synopsis

This comprehensive collection of writings by the epoch-shaping Swiss psychoanalyst was edited by Joseph Campbell, himself the most famous of Jung's American followers. It comprises Jung's pioneering studies of the structure of the psyche— including the works that introduced such notions as the collective unconscious, the Shadow, Anima and Animus—as well as inquiries into the psychology of spirituality and creativity, and Jung's influential "On Synchronicity," a paper whose implications extend from the I Ching to quantum physics. Campbell's introduction completes this compact volume, placing Jung's astonishingly wide-ranging oeuvre within the context of his life and times.

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Carl Gustav Jung was, together with Freud and Adler, one of the three great pioneers in modern psychiatry. He was born in 1865 in Switzerland, where he studied medicine and psychiatry and later became one of Sigmund Freud's early supporters and collaborators. Eventually, serious theoretical disagreements (among them Jung's view of the religious instinct in man) led to a doctrinal and personal break between the two famed psychiatrists. Dr. Jung was the author of many books, and he lived and practiced for many years in his native Zurich. He died in 1961. Joseph Campbell was interested in mythology since his childhood in New York, when he read books about

American Indians, frequently visited the American Museum of Natural History, and was fascinated by the museum's collection of totem poles. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at Columbia in 1925 and 1927 and went on to study medieval French and Sanskrit at the universities of Paris and Munich. After a period in California, where he encountered John Steinbeck and the biologist Ed Ricketts, he taught at the Canterbury School, then, in 1934, joined the literature department at Sarah Lawrence College, a post he retained for many years. During the 1940s and '50s, he helped Swami Nikhilananda to translate the Upanishads and The Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna. The many books by Professor Campbell include The Hero with a Thousand Faces, Myths to Live By, The Flight of the Wild Gander, and The Mythic Image. He edited The Portable Arabian Nights, The Portable Jung, and other works. He died in 1987.

Brilliant and thought provoking. Joseph Campbell's introduction is fabulous and his selections from Jung's writings give the new reader a fine appreciation of the man's work or a thorough review to the reader well read in Jungian theory. Joanna Poppink, MFT Los Angeles eating disorder recovery psychotherapist

A must have desk reference because the field of psychiatry has been dramatically changed since the early 80s abandoning Adler and Jung - I still advocate Carl Jung as a psychiatrist and psychotherapist and his analytical psychology. - Jung's concepts of archetypes and on collective unconscious should not be overlooked or rejected - an informative book

This is a wonderful/affordable one-stop-shop to get acquainted with Jung's thought. I purchased it in particular for "Answer to Job." It's comforting to know I'm not the only one who's had difficulty with the Biblical writing. This compilation is worth owning for this small portion alone. In reference to "the storm," you're probably aware of the pending publication of Jung's final work "The Red Book." From what I gather, it will probably be better understood after some initial preparation. The Portable Jung may be such a preparation ... enjoy!

Very interesting, a must have for anyone who loves Jung and Joseph Campbell

Good!

Great read

Short enough to be readable (not short though, at >600 pages), but distills much of the most important of Jung's writings. I also bought "The Red Book", thinking it would be like this "Portable Jung" but more of it---big mistake, as The Red Book's TOTALLY different and was written for readers who already know much of Jung's teachings.

I recommend this book to clients interested in learning about Jungian thought. Just the introduction by Joseph Campbell is worth the skimpy price of admission and the depth and breath of Jung's ideas remain as powerful and intriguing today as they were when he first wrote more than 80 years ago. Concepts such as the Self, the collective unconscious, shadow, and introvert-extrovert remain great tools for self-awareness. Because it can be read in sections I often go back to it for reference and I find that every time I do so I am rewarded with a new, deeper, understanding. Warning! You may have to use more than two neurons to digest this but the effort will be worth it!

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