Record Nr. UNINA9910457619103321 Autore Morton Adam **Titolo** The Importance of Being Understood [[electronic resource]]: Folk Psychology as Ethics Hoboken,: Taylor and Francis, 2002 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-134-48430-5 1-280-14890-X 0-203-99493-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (236 p.) Collana International Library of Philosophy Disciplina 150/.1 170 Communication -- Psychological aspects Soggetti **Ethics** Ethnopsychology Communication - Psychological aspects Cooperativeness Social psychology Psychology Social Sciences Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di contenuto Book Cover; Title; Foreword; Chapter 1 Microethics; Chapter 2 Motives and virtues; Chapter 3 Belief and coordination; Chapter 4 Explanatory contrast and causal depth; Chapter 5 Learning to simulate; Summary; Exploration I Attribution biases and the statistics of cooperation; Exploration II Interspection and expression; Exploration III Ethos; Exploration IV Moral progress; Notes; Bibliography; Index The Importance of Being Understood is an innovative and thought-Sommario/riassunto provoking exploration of the links between the way we think about each other's mental states and the fundamentally cooperative nature of everyday life. Adam Morton begins with a consideration of 'folk

psychology', the tendency to attribute emotions, desires, beliefs and

thoughts to human minds. He takes the view that it is precisely this tendency that enables us to understand, predict and explain the actions of others, which in turn helps us to decide on our own course of action. This reflection suggests, claims Mor