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achievement of innovative interdisciplinary scholarship.” - Prof. Manuel Eisner, Director, Institute of Criminology, University of Cambridge “The book constitutes a laudable effort to draw attention to the field of evolutionary criminology. This monograph is well-written, skillfully organized, comprehensive, and meticulously referenced. Dr. Svingen has done a masterful job of synthesising the literature on the concepts of retribution and reciprocity in explaining crime; and empirically tested the Retribution and Reciprocity Model.” -Dr. Heng Choon (Oliver) Chan, Associate Professor in Criminology, University of Birmingham

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