Record Nr. UNINA9910807351303321 Autore **Dundes Alan Titolo** From game to war and other psychoanalytic essays on folklore / / Alan **Dundes** Lexington, Kentucky:,: The University Press of Kentucky,, 1997 Pubbl/distr/stampa ©1997 **ISBN** 0-8131-6158-4 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (140 p.) Disciplina 398/.01/9 Soggetti Folklore - Psychological aspects Folklore - United States Psychoanalysis and folklore - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto The psychological study of folklore in the United States -- Traditional male combat: from game to war -- The apple-shot: interpreting the legend of William Tell -- The flood as male myth of creation -- Why is the Jew "dirty"?: a psychological study of anti-Semitic folklore. Sommario/riassunto Although folklore has been collected for centuries, its possible unconscious content and significance have been explored only since the advent of psychoanalytic theory. Freud and some of his early disciples recognized the potential of such folklorist genres as myth, folktale, and legend to illuminate the intricate workings of the human psyche. Alan Dundes is a renowned folklorist who has successfully devoted the better part of his career to applying psychoanalytic theory

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