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Sommario/riassunto

This study looks at contemporary psychological research and theory into criminal behaviour and considers the relationship between psychological and criminological theories. At the same time, the book examines the impact of psychology on strategies.

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