Record Nr. UNINA9910972231803321 Autore Mandler George Titolo Consciousness recovered: psychological functions and origins of conscious thought / / George Mandler Amsterdam; ; Philadelphia, PA, : John Benjamins Pub., c2002 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9786612255021 9781282255029 1282255029 9780585461861 0585461864 9789027297860 902729786X Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica xii, 140 p Collana Advances in consciousness research, , 1381-589X;; v. 40 Disciplina 153 Soggetti Consciousness Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [121]-131) and indexes. Nota di contenuto Consciousness Recovered -- Editorial page -- Title page -- LCC data -- Table of contents -- Preface -- Introduction -- Chapter 1: Consciousness -- Chapter 2: An evolutionary scenario as a framework for consciousness -- Chapter 3: The construction of conscious contents -- Chapter 4: Nihil tam absurde... demystifying consciousness -- Chapter 5: Aspects of consciousness -- Chapter 6: Emotion and pain -- Chapter 7: The uses of consciousness revisited -- Notes --References -- Books, chapters, and papers used in part in preparation of this book -- Index of Names -- Index of Subjects -- Advances In Consciousness Research. Sommario/riassunto This integrated approach to the psychology of consciousness arises out of Mandler's 1975 paper that was seminal in starting the current flood of interest in consciousness. The book starts with this paper, followed by a novel psychological/evolutionary theoretical discussion of consciousness, and then a historically oriented presentation of relevant

functions of consciousness, from memory to attention to emotion, drawing in part on Mandler's publications between 1975 and 2000. The

manuscript is controversial; it is outspoken and often judgmental. The book does not address speculations about the neurophysiological/brain bases of consciousness, arguing that these are premature, and it is highly critical of philosophical speculations, often ungrounded in any empirical observations. In short it is a psychological approach - pure and simple.