

Professor Geoffrey Beattie

Professor Geoffrey Beattie is an internationally acclaimed psychologist, author and broadcaster. He is Professor of Psychology at Edge Hill University and in recent years a Masters supervisor on the Sustainability Leadership Programme at the University of Cambridge and Visiting Professor at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He was Professor of Psychology at the University of Manchester from 1994-2012.



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Publications

Fiction

Publication Details	Notes
The corner boys 1998 Orion	The story of James, growing up in a loyalist working-class neighbourhood in industrial decline, who has a Catholic girlfriend and a best friend who's hooked up with loyalist paramilitaries.

Non-Fiction

Publication Details Notes

Rethinking Body Language: How Hand Movements Reveal Hidden Thoughts

2016

Psychology Press

This ground-breaking book takes body language analysis to a whole new level. Engagingly written by one of the leading experts in the field, it shows how we can detect deception in gesture-speech mismatches and how these unconscious movements can give us real insight into people's underlying implicit attitudes.

Chasing Lost Times

2012

Mainstream

Chasing Lost Times is the emotional story of a father and son trying to repair a relationship through a shared activity that depends on sheer physical effort, the kind of physical effort that may once have been the source of commonality between father and son in all previous generations but which seems to be absent in the modern world.

OUR RACIST HEART?

2012

Routledge

Few people today would admit to being a racist, or to making assumptions about individuals based on their skin colour, or on their gender or social class. In this book, leading psychologist Geoffrey Beattie asks if prejudice, more subtle than before, is still a major part of our everyday lives. Beattie suggests that implicit biases based around race are not just found in small sections of our society, but that they also exist in the psyches of even the most liberal, educated and fair-minded of us. More importantly, the book outlines how these 'hidden' attitudes and prejudices can be revealed and measured, and how they in turn predict behaviours in a number of important social situations.

Our Racist Heart? takes a fresh look at our racial attitudes, using new technology and experimental approaches to show how unconscious biases influence our everyday actions and thinking. These groundbreaking results are brought to life using the author's own experiences of class and religious prejudice in Northern Ireland, and are also discussed in relation to the history of race, racism and social psychological theory.

Get The Edge

2011

Headline

A fascinating guide to getting the edge in all areas of life from TV psychologist and renowned academic Geoffrey Beattie. Ever wondered how you can tell if someone's lying? Or if someone fancies you? Or even how to read someone's mind? Geoffrey Beattie answers all these questions and many more in this eye-opening guide to getting what you want. With his impressive insight into body language and what makes people tick, Geoffrey explains quick tricks that give away what people are really thinking. Geoffrey's simple advice gets right to the heart of social interaction and shows how personal relationships can be improved, sometimes in a matter of seconds. From breaking up with someone to simply telling a joke, with this book you can get the edge in all kinds of social situations.

Why aren't we Saving the Planet?

2010

Routledge

This ground-breaking book reflects new and innovative research being carried out into how to change attitudes to the environment and how to encourage sustainable behaviour. It is eminently readable and interesting and, as such, should be read by anyone who is concerned about the future of our planet. In fact, you should also read it if you're not concerned about our planet.

<p>Protestant Boy 2005 Granta Books</p>	<p>Geoffrey Beattie grew up in the notorious 'murder triangle' in North Belfast, where during thirty years of the Troubles more than six hundred people were killed. Many of his childhood friends ended up dead or in prison, while Beattie himself moved to England, at first to study and eventually to build a highly successful career as a psychologist. On a visit home to see his ailing mother, Beattie begins to explore his Ulster Protestant ancestry and to reflect on the unfashionable and little understood Protestant community.</p>
<p>The Shadows of Boxing: Prince Naseem And Those He Left Behind 2003 Orion</p>	<p>In this title, author Geoffrey Beattie revisits Prince Naseem's roots, chronicles the contrasting fortunes of the hard men of Brendan Ingle's gym in Wincobank, Sheffield, looks at how the Hamed family have coped with the pressures of fame, and gets to the heart of the dispute between Naseem, Brendan Ingle and Frank Warren, where Beattie is in the unusual position of having access to both camps about to contest a libel issue.</p>
<p>We are the People: Journeys Through the Heart of Protestant Ulster 1993 Mandarin</p>	<p>For generations, men and women of Ulster have proclaimed a will to fight, to remain separate from the rest of the Irish nation, and for many years they retained their position as social and economic superiors to their Roman Catholic compatriots. Every summer they parade their banners and flags, and march the streets of the province to the sound of flute and Lambeg drum, playing Loyal songs to loyal crowds, proclaiming their allegiance to the United Kingdom.</p>