



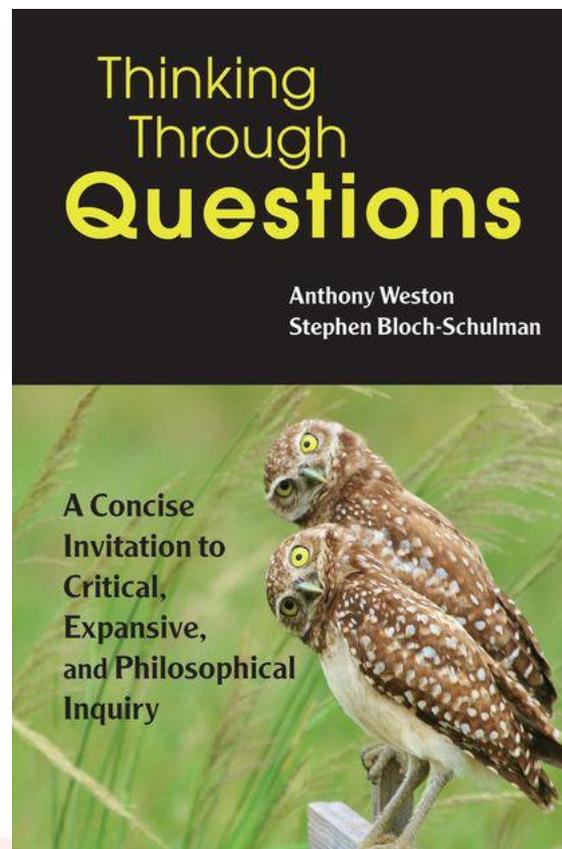
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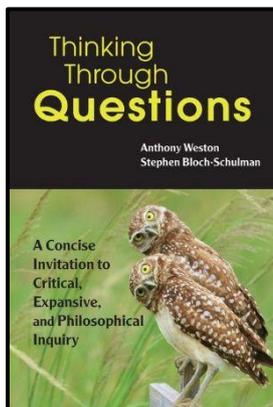
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### Hackett Publishing Company



#### Thinking Through Questions

#### A Concise Invitation to Critical, Expansive, and Philosophical Inquiry

Anthony Weston, Stephen Bloch-Schulman

*Thinking Through Questions* is an accessible and compact guide to the art of questioning, covering both the use and abuse of questions. Animated by wide-ranging and engaging exercises and examples, the book helps students deepen their understanding of how questions work and what questions do, and builds the skills needed to ask better questions.

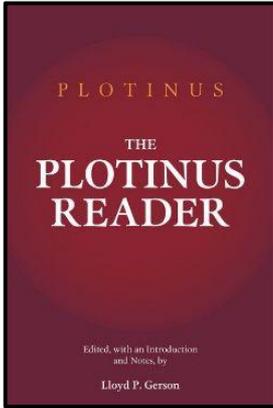
Cowritten by two of today's leading philosopher-teachers, *Thinking Through Questions* is specifically designed to complement, connect, and motivate today's standard curricula, especially for classes in critical thinking, philosophical questioning, and creative problem-solving (called here "expansive questioning"). Offering students a wide and appreciative look at questions and questioning, this small book will also appeal to faculty and students across the disciplines: in college writing courses, creativity workshops, education schools, introductions to college thinking, design thinking projects, and humanities and thinking classes. Open-ended, creative, and critically self-possessed thinking is its constant theme—what field doesn't need more of that?

**About the Author:** Anthony Weston and Stephen Bloch-Schulman think through questions as members of the philosophy department at Elon University.

**Reviews:** "This small book holds big value for teachers of philosophy and teachers of critical thinking in any discipline. If you want your students to be more 'curious, critical, exploratory, and creative,' this book will serve well as a supplementary or core text. It offers appreciation for the power of questioning, opportunities to identify types of questions, and practice in questioning skills. The authors, both recognized as master teachers, bring their own considerable pedagogical experience and engaging style to encouraging better questioning in all of us."

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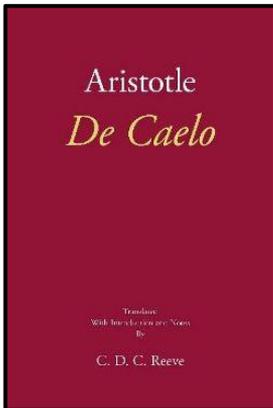
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Plotinus Edited by Lloyd P. Gerson

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**About the Author:** Lloyd P. Gerson is Professor of Philosophy at the University of Toronto.

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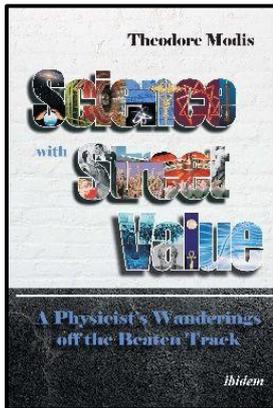
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**About the Author:** C. D. C. Reeve is Delta Kappa Epsilon Distinguished Professor of Philosophy at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

**Reviews:** "The *De Caelo* can be quite difficult for a first-time reader. C. D. C. Reeve's fluid and accurate translation, along with his superb Introduction and 560 endnotes (in effect functioning as a commentary), are bound to make this work much more accessible, while at the same time being a highly useful tool for seasoned Aristotle scholars."

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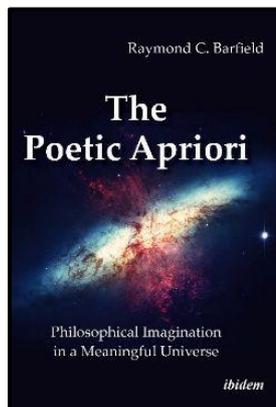
**About the Author:** Theodore Modis was born in Greece. At the age of eighteen he won a full scholarship to study in the United States. He received a Masters in Electrical Engineering and a PhD in Physics, both from Columbia University, New York. He carried out research in particle-physics experiments at Brookhaven National Laboratory and afterward at CERN in Europe. Later he switched to industry and worked at Digital Equipment Corporation as the head of a Management Science consultants group. Ten years later he founded his own consulting company, Growth Dynamics, in Geneva.

He is author/co-author to over one hundred articles in scientific and business journals and ten books translated into a number of languages. He has on occasion taught at Columbia University, the University of Geneva, the European business schools INSEAD and IMD, and the leadership school DUXX in Monterrey, Mexico. He lives in Lugano, Switzerland. For more info visit [www.growth-dynamics.com](http://www.growth-dynamics.com)

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Raymond C Barfield

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**About the Author:** Raymond C. Barfield is Professor of Pediatrics and Christian Philosophy at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. He is a pediatric oncologist and palliative care physician with an interest in expanding the role of the humanities and the arts in the formation of physicians. He has published widely in medicine, philosophy, and literature, including several books: *Life in the Blind Spot* (poetry), *The Book of Colors* (a novel), *The Ancient Quarrel Between Poetry and Philosophy*, and *Wager: Beauty, Suffering, and Being in the World*. Forthcoming books include *Dante's New Moon* (poetry) and *The Practice of Medicine as Being in Time* (philosophy).

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## Forms of Knowledge Developing the History of Knowledge

Edited by Johan Östling, David Larsson Heidenblad, Anna Nilsson Hammar

The history of knowledge is a dynamic field of research with bright prospects. In recent years it has been established as an exciting, forwardlooking field internationally, with a strong presence in the Nordic countries.

*Forms of Knowledge* is the first publication by the Lund Centre for the History of Knowledge (LUCK). The volume brings together some twenty historians from different scholarly traditions to develop the history of knowledge. The knowledge under scrutiny here is the sort which people have regarded and valued as knowledge in various historical settings. The authors apply different perspectives to this knowledge, maintaining the historicity and situatedness of the production and circulation of knowledge.

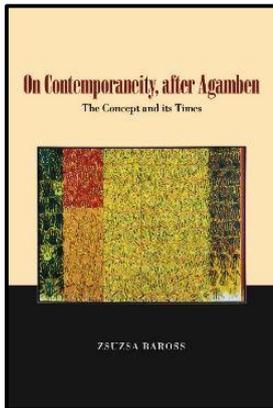
The book presents the history of knowledge in all its rich diversity. The role of knowledge in public life is the focus of some chapters, while others concentrate on the importance of knowledge for individuals or local communities; some chart the realities of academic or systematic knowledge, others consider its existential or mundane dimensions. Taken together, they make a significant contribution to the theoretical, conceptual, and methodological advances in the field.

**About the Author:** Johan Östling is an associate professor and senior lecturer in history at Lund University. His research focuses on the history of knowledge, but he also has a more general interest in ideas, culture and politics in Europe's modern history.

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**On Contemporaneity, after Agamben  
The Concept and its Times**

Zsuzsa Baross

If the philosopher Alain Badiou asks of what present are we the living witnesses in philosophy today, the writing in this second volume of essays addresses a related question to works of art today: what art can (still) be at the time of a global existential crisis, in a world living at the edge of, if not inexorably moving toward, a final ecological catastrophe? In four essays the author turns to works of art she considers critical with regard to this question of art situating itself at the limit: the last film of Jean-Luc Godard, *Adieu au langage*; Pasolini's faux documentary, *La Rabbia* (Rage), a fragment of a Paul Celan poem, as questioned by Jacques Derrida, the plastic art of Abdel Abdemassad and Anselm Kiefer. She interrogates these chronologically disparate works with regard to their 'contemporaneity' as the concept was developed in the first volume: neither as representations or diagnoses of a present in a change of epoch, a word in crisis or at the edge of a catastrophe, nor as works that are symptomatic of such times and worlds. Instead, the writing metaphorically 'listens to' voices that arrive from inside a world without an exit as exemplary responses to the question: what art can (still) be at such times, in such worlds? What creation - new gesture or performative or language - can be commensurate with the intensity of forces pressing against such presents?

**About the Author:** Zsuzsa Baross, Professor Emerita of Cultural Theory at Trent University, Canada, is the author of *The Scandal of Disease in Theory and Discourse* (University of Amsterdam, 1988), *Posthumously: For Jacques Derrida* (SAP, 2010), and *Encounters: Gérard Titus-Carmel, Jean-Luc Nancy, Claire Denis*. She has published a wide number of essays in anthologies and journals, including *International Studies in Philosophy*, *New Literary History* and *Derrida Today*. Recently she has been collaborating and publishing with "Artistic Research", Orpheus Instituut in Gent, Belgium.

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