

Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health

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Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health is today the best book extant on the anatomy of the human mind. There is no such thing as a good Dianetic or Scientology auditor who does not thoroughly understand the contents of this book.

This book was written by L. Ron Hubbard at Bay Head, New Jersey, in early 1950, based on the technology in use that January. Since 1947 every effort had been made to put the data of Dianetics into the hands of the medical profession. *Dianetics: The Original Thesis* had been “written for and distributed to the major organizations who control healing in the United States. Yet each had shrugged off any responsibility in the matter. The direction to go, then, was not down simply because those ‘in charge of healing’ could not find value in Dianetics. The direction to go was out and up. Dianetics was broadly released to the general public.”—LRH, “The Road Up,” *Journal of Scientology*, Issue 26-G.

One of the largest psychiatric textbook houses offered to publish a popular text, but the editor demanded an immediate manuscript or none at all. The editor got the manuscript—180,000 words written in three weeks. The book was published in New York on 9 May 1950 and instantly climbed to the top of the best-seller lists across the country and stayed there for many months. And after 25 years it still continues to feature on best-seller lists.

This book, which has sold well over a million hardback copies, is destined to a niche in history, for no book has been quite as controversial or has aroused such paeans of praise or such snarling wrath within weeks of its publication. *Dianetics: The Modern Science of Mental Health* introduced a new note in scientific writing which was commented upon by the chair of literature of a leading university as being healthy and refreshing when that university officially acclaimed the release of the book as a piece of modern English.

Variously referred to as “The Handbook,” “Book One” and “Dianetics,” this text covers the entire theory and use of Dianetics. Many of the fundamentals later developed in Scientology are here in their embryonic stage.

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