Play as a powerful learning and teaching experience remains key to effective early childhood education. Retaining its popular approach and style, this new edition reflects the contemporary context of early childhood education and care as well emerging research on young children's development.

The emphasis remains firmly on demonstrating the excellence of play and its contribution to children's overall learning and development in the early years, and the role of adults in promoting inspirational playful pedagogies. It offers new coverage on topics such as brain development, gender, babies' play, cultural diversity and inclusion, children as researchers, new technologies, outdoor play and international dimensions.

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Audience

This is a must-read book for all students studying early childhood at a range of levels and practitioners who are looking to deepen their understanding of play and playful practices.
This book offers an in-depth exploration of the distinctive features of the play, development and learning of two-year-olds, presenting a wealth of information and guidance on how to provide high quality provision for this unique age group.

The book mirrors the ‘journey’ a two-year-old takes through key aspects of their experience, starting with being at home, through their transition into a setting and then through each aspect of provision. This journey of discovery helps you better understand the child’s viewpoint, and to explore and analyse concepts of good quality practice and provision.

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**Audience**

If you are a student or practitioner in early childhood this is crucial reading that helps you positively meet the challenge of welcoming and providing for this age group.
This book provides an economic perspective on health promotion and chronic disease prevention, and gives a rationale for assessing the economic case for action. It provides a comprehensive review of the evidence base in support of a broad range of public health interventions, addressing not only their effectiveness in improving population health, but also their implementation costs, impacts on health expenditures and wider economic consequences.

An economic perspective is about more than counting the costs associated with poor health. It is about understanding how economic incentives can influence healthy lifestyle choices in the population. The book provides tools for developing effective and efficient policy strategies and addressing trade-offs between the goals of improving population health, while being mindful of the need to tackle inequalities in health outcomes across individuals and populations.

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**Audience**

The book is designed for health policy makers and all those working or studying in the areas of public health, health research, medicine or health economics.
It is fundamental that social work students and practitioners have a sound grasp of ethics and values, and an understanding of how they relate to social work practice.

This book offers a fresh perspective on ethics and values in the context of everyday social work practice, and provides an accessible route into the key theories, as well as useful strategies, tips and tools for practice. Case studies, examples and service user and carer perspectives are given throughout.

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**Audience**

This book will be used across values and ethics modules at undergraduate and postgraduate level.
This brand new book is essential reading for anyone involved in practice educating social work students. Whether you are an on-site or off-site practice educator, or a workplace supervisor, the book will guide you through your role, providing practical and straightforward advice about the process from start to finish.

With handy references to the Practice Educator Professional Standards (PEPS) throughout, the book helps first-time practice educators to quell their anxieties and supports both new and experienced practitioners to develop skills to support their students and deepen their own professional expertise.

Written by two experienced professionals, the book is packed with practical tips, handy checklists and realistic examples, providing the time-pressed practice educator with at-a-glance "Best Practice" points and "Common Pitfalls" to avoid.

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Audience

This is an ideal companion for anyone involved in practice educating social work students.
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Audience

This book is an essential purchase for students and qualified healthcare staff alike and was highly commended in the BMA Medical Book Awards 2012.
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