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Abstract
Originally published in Contemporary Psychology: APA Review of Books, 1991, Vol 36(9), 789–790. Reviews the book, Handbook of Behavior Modification With the Mentally Retarded (2nd ed.) by Johnny L. Matson (Ed.) (see record 1990-97397-000). This volume is a compilation of 18 chapters that provide the reader with a comprehensive overview of many contemporary issues. There are sections on learning principles, assessment, treatment of maladaptive behaviors, acquisition of self-care skills, therapeutic approaches to emotional disorders, and academic instruction. The chapters are similar to those in most edited volumes in that they present critical issues, examine relevant research, and offer specific critiques and recommendations. In sum, this book is a well-conceived presentation of contemporary behavior modification and a valuable resource for those who seek to improve the quality of life for persons with mental retardation. (PsycINFO Database Record (c) 2006 APA, all rights reserved)

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