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This book provides translations of Auguste Comte's early writings, with scholarly apparatus placing Comte in his historical context.

Auguste Comte and Positivism, the Essential Writings

French philosopher and social scientist AUGUSTE COMTE (1798-1857) developed the notion of sociology as a field that could be studied, invented the term altruism, and in this groundbreaking work, created a system of principles and ideas—a rational "religion"—that has since come to influence humanism across the Western world. In Volume I, Comte offers an overview of human history as distilled through the "positive" perspective; details the positivism of mathematics, astronomy, biology, physics, and chemistry; and refines the functioning of human consciousness as an aspect of positivism. First published in English in 1853, this is an extraordinary synthesis of thought that is required reading for anyone wishing to understand the development of the scientific, secular mindset of the modern world.

The Positive Philosophy of Auguste Comte

A fascinating work in which Mill reviews the rational "religion" of French philosopher Auguste Comte, discussing Comte's great work on human behavior.

Comte: Early Political Writings

The first volume of a two-volume intellectual biography of Auguste Comte, the founder of modern sociology and positivism.

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A General View of Positivism

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The Positivist Library of Auguste Comte

Auguste Comte, considered by some to be the first “philosopher of science,” was perhaps most famous for founding the theory of Positivism: a framework of thinking and living meant to engender unity across humanity, backed by love, science, and intellect. Positivism itself is a combination philosophy and way of life. Here Comte lays down the various tenets of the philosophy, describing what he views as the six major characteristics of the system. Comte goes into surprising detail, going so far as to describe minutiae like how children should be educated, the structure of a unified global committee of nations, new flags, calendars, the role of the arts, and so on. He ends the book with what he calls the “Religion of Humanity,” a secular religion meant to replace the traditional religions that people of the time were becoming disillusioned with. The book and the theory are both very much products of the time. Comte was born around the end of the French Revolution, and lived in Paris during that time when republican ideas, respect for science, and a revolutionary and forward-thinking spirit made fertile ground for change. He viewed Positivism as the single solution to most of the problems of the day, including Communism, the plight of the working class, the shift away from traditional religion, and the constant war and strife that had plagued humanity. Comte’s theories gained a huge following: you might even recognize the Positivist motto, “Order and Progress,” inscribed on Brazil’s national flag. While Positivism and its executive arm, the Church of Humanity, today only seem to survive in any significant number in Brazil—and even there in a greatly declined state—its theories were hugely influential in the emergence of many “ethical societies” and secular church movements around the globe.

Auguste Comte: Volume 1

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A General View of Positivism

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The Positive Philosophy of Auguste Comte; Volume 1

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The Positive Philosophy of Auguste Comte; Volume 3

This volume explores the life and works of Auguste Comte during the last and most controversial part of his career, the period from 1842 to 1857.

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POSITIVE PHILOSOPHY OF AUGUSTE

The French philosopher Auguste Comte (1798-1857) is generally acknowledged as one of the founding fathers of sociology, and one of the most influential "grand theorists" of the nineteenth century. This edition of his early essays from the 1820s is based on a new translation, and aims to make his ideas and the development of his thought accessible to modern readers. A comprehensive introduction establishes the historical significance of Comte's work and shows how his ideas emerged from the rich intellectual turmoil of post-revolutionary France.

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POSITIVE PHILOSOPHY OF AUGUSTE

Isidore Auguste Marie François Xavier Comte (19 February 1798? 5 September 1857), better known as Auguste Comte, was a French philosopher. He was a founder of the discipline of sociology and of

the doctrine of positivism. He is sometimes regarded as the first philosopher of science in the modern sense of the term.

Auguste Comte and Positivism

With a lively and engaging style, *Myths for the Masses* provides a critical, interdisciplinary, and historically informed statement about communication in contemporary life. Written by Hanno Hardt, one of the world's leading authorities on the subject. Offers a comprehensive appraisal of mass communication. Provides a critical perspective on media and communication in society. Contains critical insights into the state of mass communication, democracy, and the construction of the self in society.

Auguste Comte: Volume 2

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The Positive Philosophy of Auguste Comte, Vol. II (in 2 Volumes)

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System of positive polity: General view of positivism & introductory principles

This text provides an introduction to the principles of photographic practice and theory. It also explores the history of lens-based picture making and examines the medium's characteristics, scope and limitations.

System of positive polity: Theory of the future of man, with an appendix consisting of early essays on social philosophy

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The Positive Philosophy of Auguste Comte

Auguste Comte and Positivism By John Stuart Mill Isidore Marie Auguste François Xavier Comte was a French philosopher who founded the discipline of praxeology and the doctrine of positivism. He is sometimes regarded as the first philosopher of science in the modern sense of the term. Influenced by the utopian socialist Henri Saint-Simon, Comte developed the positive philosophy in an attempt to remedy the social malaise of the French Revolution, calling for a new social doctrine based on the sciences. Comte was a major influence on 19th-century thought, influencing the work of social thinkers such as Karl Marx, John Stuart Mill, and George Eliot. His concept of sociologie and social evolutionism set the tone for early social theorists and anthropologists such as Harriet Martineau and Herbert Spencer, evolving into modern academic sociology presented by Emile Durkheim as practical and objective social research.

Positive Philosophy

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