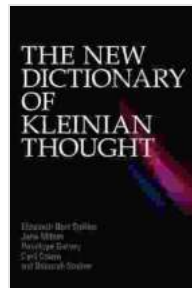


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- **Object Relations:** The dynamic interplay between individuals and the objects they invest with emotional significance.

- **Unconscious:** The vast reservoir of mental processes and memories that lie beyond conscious awareness, heavily influencing our thoughts, feelings, and actions.
- **Phantasy:** The unconscious mental representations that shape our perceptions of reality.
- **Envy:** A destructive force that arises from the infant's innate desire to possess the good qualities of others.
- **Splitting:** The defense mechanism that divides the world into "good" and "bad" objects, protecting the ego from overwhelming anxiety.
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- **Psychosexual Development:** The stages of development proposed by Klein, emphasizing the role of unconscious conflicts in shaping personality.
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- **Superego, Ego, and Id:** The three components of the psychic apparatus proposed by Freud, further elaborated by Klein.

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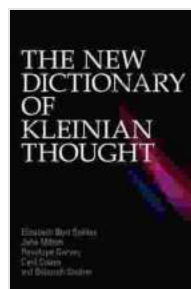
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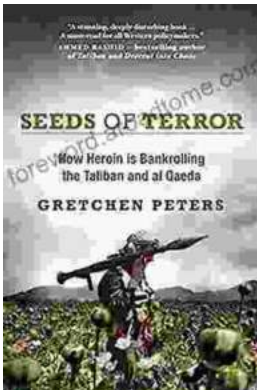
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