PSYC 216: Abnormal Psychology

Global Assignment

For this assignment you will need to go to PsychArticles on the library database and find the Library Journal Review of the book Crazy Like Us by Ethan Watters :  The Globalization of the American Psyche

Read the 8 page review and answer the following questions:

1. What is meant by the phrase "We are engaged in the grand project of Americanizing the world's understanding of the human mind"?

2. What evidence is given that the above statement is true?

3.  What is meant by “...Western ideas of the mind are proving as seductive to the rest of the world as fast food and rap music ..."

4.  What is meant by "Psychiatric Exotica: Two-Bits a Gander."

5.  Why should we worry about the loss of diversity in the world's differing conceptions and treatments of mental illness?

Note to faculty:

The book “Crazy Like Us” is worthwhile reading. The book review presents a good summary of the book and this assignment is an excellent exercise in critical thinking for the student.