

## **Curriculum Vitae Steven Pinker**

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### **Biographical Information**

Born September 18, 1954, Montreal, Canada  
U. S. Citizen

### **Education**

Doctor of Philosophy (Experimental Psychology), Harvard University, 1979.  
Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honors in Psychology), McGill University, 1976.  
Diploma of College Studies, Dawson College, 1973.

### **Academic Positions**

2008-2013	Harvard College Professor, Harvard University
2003-	Johnstone Family Professor of Psychology, Harvard University
2000-2003	Peter de Florez Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1994-99	Director, McDonnell-Pew Center for Cognitive Neuroscience at MIT
1989-2000	Professor, Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1985-94	Co-Director, Center for Cognitive Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1985-89	Associate Professor, Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1982-85	Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
1981-82	Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Stanford University
1980-81	Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Harvard University
1979-80	Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Cognitive Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

## Honors and Awards

### General:

Humanists International Award for Distinguished Service, 2021  
Nora and Ted Sterling Prize in Support of Controversy, 2019  
Global Leadership Award, Global Canada, 2019  
Sagan Award for Increasing the Public Appreciation of Science, Council of Scientific Society Presidents, 2018  
Human Roots Award, Monrepos Archaeological Research Center, Germany, 2018  
Outstanding Lifetime Achievement Award in Cultural Humanism, Harvard Humanist Hub, 2018  
Carl Sagan Award, Carnegie-Mellon Humanism Initiative, 2016  
Honorary President, Freedom from Religion Foundation, 2014- .  
*Moment Magazine Creativity Award*, 2013.  
Gold Medal of Honorary Patronage, University Philosophical Society, Trinity College, Dublin, 2013.  
Richard Dawkins Award, Atheist Alliance of America, 2013.  
Dr. Jean Mayer Global Citizenship Award, 2012.  
Innovation for Humanity Prize, La Ciudad de las Ideas, Mexico, 2008.  
Honorary President, Canadian Psychological Association, 2008.  
Humanist of the Year, American Humanist Association, 2006.  
The Emperor's New Clothes Award, Freedom from Religion Foundation, 2004.  
Humanist Laureate, International Academy of Humanism, 2001.  
Golden Plate Award, American Academy of Achievement, 1999.

### Research:

Walter Channing Cabot Fellow, Harvard University, 2019  
Elected Member, National Academy of Sciences, 2016  
William James Fellow Award for Lifetime Achievement, Association for Psychological Science, 2016.  
Distinguished Contribution Award, New England Psychological Association, 2017.  
Ramon y Cajal Award, International Neuropsychiatric Association, 2013.  
Walter Channing Cabot Fellow, Harvard University, 2012.  
George A. Miller Prize, Cognitive Neuroscience Society, 2010.  
Henry Dale Prize, The Royal Institution of Great Britain, 2004.  
Troland Research Award, National Academy of Sciences, April 1993.  
Boyd R. McCandless Young Scientist Award, Division of Developmental Psychology, American Psychological Association, 1986.  
Distinguished Scientific Award for an Early Career Contribution to Psychology, American Psychological Association, 1984.

### Honorary Doctorates:

Doctorado in Neurosciences *honoris causa*, University of Bucaramanga, Colombia, 2020 (postponed).

Doctor of Science *honoris causa*, University of Reading, 2017.  
Doctor of Science *honoris causa*, Simon Fraser University, 2014.  
Doctor of Laws *honoris causa*, Mt. Allison University, 2012.  
Doctor of Philosophy *honoris causa*, University of Tromsø, Norway, 2008.  
Doctor of Humane Letters, Albion College, 2007.  
Doctor of Science *honoris causa*, University of Newcastle upon Tyne, 2005.  
Doctor of the University *honoris causa*, University of Surrey, 2003.  
*Doctor Philosophiae honoris causa*, Tel Aviv University, 2003  
Doctor of Science *honoris causa*, McGill University, 1999.

### **Magazine and Web Lists:**

AcademicInfluence.com: Most influential people 1970–2020 (#10).  
[AcademicInfluence.com: Top influential psychologists today](#) (#2).  
OOOM 100: The World's Most Inspiring People, 2018.  
The Fifty Most Influential Living Psychologists in the World, TheBestSchools.org, 2018.  
*The Algemeiner Jewish* 100, 2015  
GDI Institute Thought Leaders 2014: The 100 Most Influential Thinkers  
*Prospect* "The World's Top 100 Public Intellectuals/World Thinkers": 2005, 2008, 2013.  
*Archives of General Psychology*, The Most Eminent Psychologists of the Modern Era, 2014.  
*Muy Historia*, "The 25 Most Influential Thinkers in History," 2013  
The Fifty Best Science Writers of All Time, onlinecollege.org, 2012  
*Foreign Policy* "Top Global Thinkers": 2005, 2008, 2010, 2011.  
*02138 Magazine*: "The Harvard 100: The Most Influential Alumni," 2006.  
*Time* 100: "The 100 Most Influential People in the World Today," 2004.  
*Newsweek* "One Hundred Americans for the Next Century," 1995.  
*Esquire* "Register of Outstanding Men and Women Under Forty," 1986.

### **Books: *The Language Instinct***

Public Interest Award, Linguistic Society of America, 1997.  
William James Book Prize, American Psychological Association, 1995.  
*New York Times Book Review* Editor's Choice: Ten Best Books of 1994.  
Finalist, Rhone-Poulenc Science Book Prize, 1994.  
One Hundred Best Science Books of the Century, *American Scientist*.  
Honorable Mention, Best Books of the 1990s, *Lingua Franca*  
Best Linguistics Book of all Time, *Shortform*, 2021 (#1 of 100)

### **Books: *How the Mind Works***

William James Book Prize, American Psychological Association, 1999.  
*Los Angeles Times* Book Prize in Science and Technology, 1998.  
Finalist, Pulitzer Prize in Nonfiction, 1998.  
Ten Best Books of the Decade / One Hundred Best Books of the Century, Amazon.com, 1999.  
*Good Book Guide* Award: Best Science Book of 1998.  
Finalist, Rhone-Poulenc Science Book Prize, 1999.

Finalist, National Book Critics' Circle Award, 1998.  
Finalist, Winship Book Prize, PEN New England, 1998.  
Literary Lights, Boston Public Library, 1998.  
Books to Remember (25 best of 1997), New York Public Library, 1998.  
Honored Author, Newton Public Library, 2000.  
Great Brain Books, Dana Alliance for Brain Initiatives.  
100 Best Linguistics Books of All Time, *Shortform*, 2021 (#73)

**Books: *Words and Rules***

100 Best Linguistics Books of All Time, *Shortform*, 2021 (#23)

**Books: *The Blank Slate***

*50 Psychology Classics*, T. Butler-Bowdon, Brealey Publishing, 2007  
Kistler Book Award, Foundation for the Future, 2005  
William James Book Prize, American Psychological Association, 2003  
Eleanor Maccoby Book Award, American Psychological Association, 2003  
Literary Lights, Boston Public Library, 2005.  
Finalist, Pulitzer Prize in Nonfiction, 2003.  
Finalist, Aventis Science Book Prize, 2003.  
Book of the Year 2003, *Yorkshire Post*  
Best Books of 2002: amazon.com, Borders Bookstores, *The Evening Standard*, *The Globe and Mail*, *The Independent*, *The Los Angeles Times*, *New Statesman*, *New York Times* ("Notable Books"), *Publishers Weekly*, *The Spectator*, *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *The Telegraph*, *Times Literary Supplement*  
100 Best Linguistics Books of All Time, *Shortform*, 2021 (#61)

**Books: *The Stuff of Thought***

Editors' Picks: Ten Best Science Books of 2007, Amazon.com  
*Choice* Outstanding Academic Titles of 2008  
100 Best Linguistics Books of All Time, *Shortform*, 2021 (#7)

**Books: *The Better Angels of Our Nature***

10 Best Books of 2020, *Forbes* Russia  
25 Most Influential Books of the Past 25 Years, Literary Review of Canada, 2016.  
Book of the Year, Conflict Research Society, 2013.  
Cundill Recognition of Excellence Prize in History, 2012.  
Finalist, Royal Society Winton Prize for Science Books, 2012.  
Finalist, The Samuel Johnson Book Prize, 2012.  
Finalist, Julia Ward Howe Prize, Boston Authors Club.  
Notable Books of 2011, *New York Times Book Review*  
Best Nonfiction Book, *Improper Bostonian*, 2012  
Best Books of 2011, amazon.com  
Top Ten Books of 2011, *Library Journal*  
*Choice* Outstanding Academic Titles for 2012

Bill Gates, "Most Important Books I've Ever Read," 2012.  
Mark Zuckerberg's "A Year in Books" selection, 2015  
Best Books of 2015 in China: *Sina*, *Bookdao*, *Shenzhen Reading Month*, *Chinese Reading Weekly*,  
*Economic Observer Book Review*, *Beijing Morning Post*

**Books: *The Sense of Style***

International Award, Plain English Campaign  
Editors' Picks: Best Nonfiction Books of 2014, amazon.com  
Best Books of 2014, *The Economist*  
Best Books of 2014, *The Sunday Times*  
Earphones Award, *AudioFile*  
100 Best Linguistics Books of All Time, *Shortform* (#26)

**Books: *Enlightenment Now***

Notable Books of 2018, *New York Times Book Review*  
Best Books of 2018, Amazon.com, National Public Radio, *Le Point*, *The Economist*, Greater Good,  
Literary Hub  
Best Science Books of 2018, Amazon.com  
Bill Gates, "My New Favorite Book of All Time," 2018

**Teaching:**

Harvard Yearbook Favorite Professors, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2020  
Harvard College Professorship, 2008-2013.  
School of Science Teaching Prize for Excellence in Undergraduate Education, MIT, 2001  
Margaret MacVicar Faculty Fellow, MIT, 2000-2003.  
Graduate Student Council Teaching Award, MIT, 1986.

**Essays:**

Sidney Hook Award, best essays of 2013 (from David Brooks' *New York Times* column), for  
"Science is Not Your Enemy."  
*The Best American Essays 2010* (Christopher Hitchens, Ed.), "My Genome, Myself"  
*The Best American Science Writing 2010* (Jerome Groopman, Ed.), "My Genome, Myself."  
Sidney Hook Award, best essays of 2005 (from David Brooks' *New York Times* column), "The  
Science of Gender and Science" (with Elizabeth Spelke).  
*The Best American Science and Nature Writing 2003* (Richard Dawkins, Ed.), "The Blank Slate."

**Elected Fellowships in Scholarly Societies:**

Member, National Academy of Sciences, 2016- .  
Member, Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Honor Society, 2016- .  
Fellow, Cognitive Science Society, 2015- .  
Foreign Member, Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters, 2014- .  
Fellow, Linguistic Society of America, 2007- .  
Herbert Simon Fellow, The American Academy of Political and Social Science, 2006- .

Fellow, Académie Internationale de Philosophie des Sciences, 2007- .  
Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 1998- .  
Fellow, Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, 2000- .  
Fellow, Neurosciences Research Program, 1995-2002.  
Fellow, American Psychological Association, 1992- .  
Fellow, Division of Experimental Psychology, American Psychological Association, 1991- .  
Fellow, American Psychological Society, 1990- .  
Fellow, American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1987- .  
Distinguished Fellow, New England Institute for Cognitive Science and Evolutionary Psychology, 2001-2004.  
Fellow-elect, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford, CA, 1981- .

### **Extramural Grants**

Center for Effective Altruism, "Effective and Ineffective Altruism," 2018-2020.  
National Science Foundation, "The Psycholinguistics of Morality," 2015-2017.  
Google University Research Awards, "The Bibliome: Uncovering the Dynamics of the Human Past," 2009-2011.  
National Institutes of Health, "Development and Neural Bases of Words and Rules," 2000-2008.  
National Institutes of Health, "Language Learnability and Language Development", 1983-2000 (competitively renewed 1986, 1989, 1994).  
National Institute of Mental Health Training Grant, "Development of Cognition," 1997-2002 (PI 2001-2002).  
National Institute of Mental Health Training Grant, "Visual Cognition," 1998-2003 (PI 1998-2001).  
American Council of Learned Societies/Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, German American Collaborative Research Grant, "Symbolic Representation and Network Models: The Psycholinguistic Basis of Inflectional Morphology, 1992-1993.  
National Science Foundation Research Training Grant, "Language Acquisition and Computation" (1 of 15 Co-Investigators), 1991-1996.  
McDonnell-Pew Program in Cognitive Neuroscience grant, "From Perception to Action," 1990-1998 (competitively renewed 1994).  
National Science Foundation, "Inflection as a Model System for the Psychology of Language," 1991-1994.  
National Institutes of Health, "Development of Cognition", program training grant (1 of 6 Co-Investigators), 1987-1992.  
National Science Foundation, "The Mental Representation of 3-D Space and Objects, 1986-89.  
National Science Foundation, "Language Learnability and Language Development", 1982-85.  
National Science Foundation, "The Mental Representation of 3-D Space", 1981-83.

### **Other Positions**

Albert Wolters Distinguished Visiting Professor, School of Psychology and Clinical Language Sciences, University of Reading, UK, 2016-2019.  
Meymandi Distinguished Visitor, National Humanities Center, 2014  
Charles M. and Martha Hitchcock Professorship, University of California, Berkeley, 2014.  
Fellow and Visiting Professor, New College of the Humanities, 2011-2019.  
Visiting Professor, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School, 2007  
Honorary Visiting Professor, Department of Psychology, University of Auckland, New Zealand, 2001-2007  
Visiting Scholar, Departments of Psychology and Linguistics, University of California, Santa Barbara, 1995-96.  
Faculty, McDonnell Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience, 1990, 1993, 1994.  
Visiting Scholar, Cognitive Development Unit, Medical Research Council, London, UK, 1988.  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Psychology, Harvard University, 1987-88.  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Psychology, Brandeis University, 1987-88.  
Consultant, Cognitive and Instructional Sciences Group, Xerox Corporation Palo Alto Research Centers, 1981-82.

### **Major Professional Activities**

World Wellbeing Panel, LSE and Barcelona School of Economics, 2020- .  
Chair, Usage Panel, *American Heritage Dictionary*, 2008-2019.  
Ideas Beyond Borders, Advisory Board, 2020- .  
Jury, Anisfield-Wolf Book Award for Excellence in the Literature of Diversity, 2002- .  
Correspondent, Committee on Human Rights, National Academy of Sciences, 2017- .  
Contributing Editor, *The New Republic*, 2008-2014.  
Judge, ClearMark Awards for Clear Communication, Center for Plain Language, 2015.  
Executive Associate Editor, *Cognition: International Journal of Cognitive Science*, 1985-2006.  
Executive Council, Human Behavior and Evolution Society, 2006- .  
Steering Committee, Section on Linguistics and Language Science, American Association for the Advancement of Science, 2005-2009.  
Membership Section Panel, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, 2007-2012.

### **Editorial Boards of Scientific and Scholarly Journals**

*American Journal of Bioethics: Neuroscience*  
*Canadian Psychology*, 2003- .  
*Cognition*, 1982-2008.  
*Cognitive Science*, 1991-1996.  
*Daedalus*, 2002- .  
*Developmental Review*, 2019- .  
*Earth & Sky*, 2007- .

*English Linguistics*, 2003- .  
*Essays in Philosophy of Humanism*, 2012- .  
*Evolution and Human Behavior*, 1998- .  
*Evolution and Culture*, 2020- .  
*Evolutionary Psychology*, 2001- .  
*Evolutionary Psychological Science*, 2014- .  
*Intercultural Pragmatics*, 2003- .  
*International Journal of Bilingualism*. 1996- .  
*Journal of Child Language*, 1994-2004.  
*Journal of Cognition and Culture*, 2000- .  
*Journal of Evolutionary Psychology*, 2014- .  
*Journal of Social, Evolutionary, and Cultural Psychology*, 2008- .  
*Language Acquisition*, 1990-2004; Advisory Board, 2004- .  
*Language and Dialogue*, 2010- .  
*Mind & Society*, 2002- .  
*PLoS ONE*, 2006-2015.  
*PsyCh Journal*, 2018- .  
*Psychonomic Bulletin and Review*, 2014- .  
*The Evolutionary Review*, 2008- .  
*The Humanist*, 2007- .  
*The Mauritanian Journal*, 2021- .  
*The Scientific Study of Literature*, 2010- .  
*Theoria et Historia Scientiarum: An International Journal for Interdisciplinary Studies*, 2000- .  
*Trends in Cognitive Science*, 2000-2010.  
*Words*, 2002- .

### **Advisory Boards of Scientific, Scholarly, and Public Interest Organizations**

Academic Freedom Alliance, 2021- .  
Apolitical, 2018- .  
Breakthrough Institute, Senior Fellow, 2018- .  
Campus Freedom Network, 2009- .  
Cellular Agricultural Society, 2020- .  
Center for Empathy in International Affairs, 2015- .  
Center for Inquiry Canada, 2016- .  
Center for Research on Language, Mind, and Brain, McGill University, 2003- .  
Cognitive Neuroscience Society, 1994- .  
Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal, 1979- .  
Counterweight, 2021- .  
Cybereditions, 1998- .  
The Decade of Behavior, 2003-2005  
Diamond Sky Productions/The Day the Earth Smiled, 2013- .



E. O. Wilson Foundation, 2007- .  
Endangered Language Fund, 1998- .  
English for the Children, 2001-2004.  
Environmental Progress, 2016- .  
Ford Hall Forum, 2012- .  
Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, 2007- .  
The Foundations Institute, University of California, Santa Barbara, and Max Planck Society, 2019- .  
Global Secular Council for the Scientific Study of Nontheism, 2014- .  
Humanist Global Charities, Honorary Board Member, 2021- .  
HumanProgress.org  
Institute for Science and Human Values, 2010- .  
International Academy of Humanism, 2010- .  
International Association for the Study of Attention and Performance, 1992- .  
Kärnfull Energi, Sweden, Pro Bono Advisory Board, 2020- .  
National Writing Project Writers Council, 20106- .  
Naturalism Research Project, Center for Inquiry.  
News Literacy Network, 2021- .  
NSF Science of Learning Center at Gallaudet University, 2011-2019  
Office of Public Policy, Center for Inquiry, Washington DC, 2006- .  
Origins Project, Arizona State University, 2009- 2018.  
Oxford University Press, Heretical Thought series, 2013- .  
Paul G. Allen Institute for Brain Science, 2001- .  
Peace Research Endowment, 2012- .  
Planet Word Museum of Language Arts, 2016- .  
Potential Energy, 2019- .  
Rock-It Science, 2008- .  
Secular Coalition for America, 2007- .  
Sesame Workshop, 2012- .  
Science for Peace, 2009- .  
Science and Entertainment Exchange, National Academy of Sciences, 2008- .  
Society for Evolutionary Analysis in Law, 2009- .  
Society for Language Development, 2003- .  
Student Achievement and Advocacy Services, 2002- .  
World Science Festival, New York, 2006- .

### **Selected Past Professional Activities**

Linguistics, Language, and the Public Interest Award Committee, Linguistics Society of America, 2006-2007.  
Chair, Eleanor Maccoby Book Prize Committee, Division of Developmental Psychology, American Psychological Association, 2004.  
Panel on Integrative Cognitive Science, National Science Foundation, 2003.  
Testimony, President's Council on Bioethics, 2003, 2008.

Grant review panel, Program in Biological Anthropology, National Science Foundation, 2002.  
Senior Independent Advisory Panel, Biopsychology of Humane Leadership Project, Center for Positive Psychology, University of Pennsylvania, 2000.  
Scientific Advisor, Nova/WGBH, 7-part television series on Evolution, 1998-2001.  
Panel on the Bioethics of Brain Imaging, Center for Bioethics, University of Pennsylvania, 2000-2002.  
Usage Panel, *American Heritage Dictionary*, 1995-2008.  
Selection Committee, Centennial Fellowship in Human Cognition, McDonnell Foundation, 1998.  
Grant review panel, Learning and Information Systems, National Science Foundation, 1997.  
Academic Editorial Board, MIT Press, 1996-2001.  
Section Editor for Language, M. S. Gazzaniga's *The Cognitive Neurosciences*, MIT Press, 1995.  
Electorate Nominating Committee, Section on Linguistics and Language Science, American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1994-1999.  
Consultant, Boston University Conference on Language Development, 1984-1997.

### Reviewing

**Journals:** *American Anthropologist*, *American Psychologist*, *Applied Psycholinguistics*, *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, *Behavioral Neuroscience*, *Canadian Journal of Psychology*, *Child Development*, *Cognition*, *Cognitive Psychology*, *Cognitive Science*, *Current Biology*, *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, *Development and Psychopathology*, *Developmental Psychology*, *Evolution and Human Behavior*, *Evolutionary Psychology*, *Glossa*, *Nature*, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*, *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception & Performance*, *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, & Cognition*, *Journal of Linguistics*, *Journal of Mental Imagery*, *Journal of Personality*, *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, *Language*, *Language Acquisition*, *Language and Cognitive Processes*, *Language Learning and Development*, *Lingua*, *Linguistic Inquiry*, *Linguistics and Philosophy*, *Memory and Cognition*, *Mind and Language*, *Nature*, *Nature Genetics*, *Natural Language and Linguistic Theory*, *Neuron*, *Neuropsychologia*, *Parenting: Science and Practice*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, *Philosophia*, *Proceedings of the Royal Society*, *Psychological Bulletin*, *Psychological Review*, *Psychological Science*, *Psychology*, *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*, *Science*, *Science and Global Security*, *Spatial Vision*, *Synthese*, *The Skeptic*, *Trends In Cognitive Science*.

**Publishers:** Blackwell, MIT Press, Cambridge University Press, Free Press, Harvard University Press, Harvester-Wheatsheaf, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, Prentice-Hall, Princeton University Press, Reidel, Rowman & Littlefield, Scientific American Books, University of Arizona Press, University of California Press, University of Chicago Press, Yale University Press.

**Funding Agencies:** Air Force Office of Scientific Research, John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, John and Catherine Macarthur Foundation, Leverhulme Trust (UK), Medical Research Council (Canada), Medical Research Council (UK), National Institutes of Health, National Humanities

Council, National Research Council (New Zealand), National Science Foundation, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (Canada), Russell Sage Foundation.

### **Publications: Books**

- Pinker, S. (1984) *Language Learnability and Language Development*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press. Reprinted with a new introduction, 1996.
- Pinker, S. (Ed.). (1985) *Visual Cognition*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press/Bradford Books.
- Pinker, S. & J. Mehler (Eds.) (1988). *Connections and Symbols*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press/Bradford Books.
- Pinker, S. (1989) *Learnability and Cognition: The Acquisition of Argument Structure*. Cambridge, MA: MIT Press/Bradford Books. Reprinted with a new introduction, 2013.
- Levin, B. & S. Pinker (Eds.) (1992) *Lexical and Conceptual Semantics*. Cambridge, MA: Blackwell.
- Pinker, S. (1994) *The Language Instinct*. New York: HarperCollins; London: Penguin. Translations published in Arabic, Basque, Bulgarian, Chinese (China), Chinese (Taiwan), Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Kazakh, Korean, Portuguese (Brazil), Portuguese (Portugal), Russian, Slovenian, Spanish, Ukrainian. Translations pending in Danish, Portuguese (Portugal), Turkish. New edition with postscript and update, HarperCollins, 2007.
- Pinker, S. (1997) *How the Mind Works*. New York: Norton; London: Penguin. Translations published in Bulgarian, Chinese (China), Chinese (Taiwan), Dutch, German, Korean, Portuguese (Brazil), Hebrew, French, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Polish, Romanian, Spanish, Turkish. Translations pending in Arabic, Greek, Russian, Slovenian, Vietnamese. New edition with foreword, Norton, 2009.
- Pinker, S. (1999) *Words and Rules: The Ingredients of Language*. New York: HarperCollins. London: Weidenfeld & Nicolson. Translations published in German, Korean, and Slovak. New editions with postscript and update, HarperCollins, 2011; Basic Books 2015.
- Pinker, S. (2002) *The Blank Slate: The Modern Denial of Human Nature*. New York: Viking; London: Penguin. Translations published in Chinese (China), Dutch, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish, and Turkish. Translations pending in Arabic, Chinese (Taiwan), and Croatian. New edition with afterword, Penguin, 2016.
- Pinker, S. (Ed.). (2004) *The Best American Science and Nature Writing 2004*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin.
- Pinker, S. (2007) *The Stuff of Thought: Language as a Window into Human Nature*. New York: Viking; London: Penguin. Translations published in Dutch, Chinese (China), German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese (Brazil), Spanish, Russian, and Turkish. Translations pending in Bulgarian, Croatian, Finnish, Korean, and Slovenian.
- Pinker, S. (2011) *The Better Angels of our Nature: Why Violence Has Declined*. New York: Viking. London: Penguin. Translations published in Arabic, Bulgarian, Chinese (China), Dutch, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Turkish. Translations pending in Chinese (Taiwan), Croatian, Czech, Finnish, French, Hungarian, Macedonian, Romanian, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.

- Pinker, S. (2013) *Language, cognition, and human nature: Selected articles*. New York: Oxford University Press. Translation pending in Chinese.
- Pinker, S. (2014) *The Sense of Style: The Thinking Person's Guide to Writing in the 21st Century*. New York: Viking. London: Penguin. Translation published in Chinese (China), Chinese (Taiwan), Dutch, Polish, and Portuguese (Brazil). Translations pending in Chinese (China), Korean, Norwegian, Romanian, Russian, Spanish, and Vietnamese.
- Pinker, S. (2018) *Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress*. New York: Viking. London: Penguin. Translations published in Chinese (China), Estonian, French, Dutch, German, Hungarian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese (Brazil), Romanian, Russian, Serbian, Slovak, Spanish, Slovenian, Swedish, Ukrainian. Translations pending in Albanian, Arabic, Bulgarian, Chinese (Taiwan), Croatian, Czech, Greek, Indonesian, Portuguese (Portugal), Turkish, Vietnamese.
- Pinker, S. (2021) *Rationality: What It Is, Why It Seems Scarce, Why It Matters*. New York: Penguin. Translations pending in Arabic, Chinese (PRC), Chinese (Taiwan), Dutch, French, German, Greek, Italian, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish, Ukrainian.

### **Publications: Articles in Scholarly Journals**

*h*-index: Google Scholar 99; Web of Science 44. Erdős Number: 3.

- Millenson, J. R., Allen, R. B. & Pinker, S. (1977). Adjunctive drinking during variable and random-interval food reinforcement schedules. *Animal Learning and Behavior*, 5, 285-290.
- Bregman, A. S. & Pinker, S. (1978). Auditory streaming and the building of timbre. *Canadian Journal of Psychology*, 32, 19-31.
- Pinker, S. & Kosslyn, S. M. (1978). The representation and manipulation of three-dimensional space in mental images. *Journal of Mental Imagery*, 1, 69-84.
- Pinker, S. (1979). Formal models of language learning. *Cognition*, 7, 217-283. Reprinted (1994) in N. Sheehy & T. Chapman (Eds.), *Cognitive Science*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing. Reprinted (2013) in S. Pinker, *Language, cognition, and human nature: Selected articles*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Pinker, S. & Birdsong, D. (1979). Speakers' sensitivity to rules of frozen word order. *Journal of Verbal Learning and Verbal Behavior*, 18, 497-508.
- Kosslyn, S. M., Pinker, S., Smith, G. E., Shwartz, S. P. (1979). On the demystification of mental imagery. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, 1, 535-581. Reprinted (1981) in N. Block (Ed.), *Imagery* (pp. 131-150). Cambridge, MA: MIT Press, 1981.
- Pinker, S. (1980). Mental imagery and the third dimension. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: General*, 109, 254-371.
- Pinker, S. & Finke, R. A. (1980). Emergent two-dimensional patterns in images rotated in depth. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance*, 6, 244-264.
- Pinker, S. (1981). On the acquisition of grammatical morphemes. *Journal of Child Language*, 8, 477-484.

- Finke, R. A. & Pinker, S. (1982). Spontaneous mental image scanning in mental extrapolation. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*, 8, 142-147.
- Finke, R. A. & Pinker, S. (1983). Directional scanning of remembered visual patterns. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*, 9, 398-410.
- Rosenblum, T. & Pinker, S. (1983). Word magic revisited: Monolingual and bilingual preschoolers' understanding of the word-object relationship. *Child Development*, 54, 773-780. Reprinted (1987) in M. B. Franklin & S. S. Barten (Eds.), *Child language: A book of readings*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Pinker, S. (1984). Visual cognition: an introduction. *Cognition*, 18, 1-63.
- Pinker, S. Choate, P., & Finke, R. A. (1984). Mental extrapolation in patterns constructed from memory. *Memory and Cognition*, 12, 207-218.
- Downing, C. J. & Pinker, S. (1985). The spatial structure of visual attention. In M. Posner and O. Marin (Eds.), *Attention and Performance XI: Mechanisms of attention and visual search*. Hillsdale, NJ: Erlbaum.
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Robert Wright, "Nonzero: The Logic of Human Destiny," *Slate*, Jan. 31—Feb. 2, 2000.

Jonathan Glover, "Humanity: A Moral History of the Twentieth Century," *New York Times Book Review*, Oct. 29, 2000.

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George Lakoff, "Whose Freedom?" *The New Republic*, Oct. 9, 2006.

Jonathan Gottschall and David Sloan Wilson (Eds.), "The Literary Animal: Evolution and the Nature of Narrative," *Philosophy and Literature*, 31, 161-177, 2007.

Natalie Angier, "The Canon: A Whirligig Tour of the Beautiful Basics of Science," *New York Times Book Review*, May 27, 2007.

Malcolm Gladwell, "What the Dog Saw." *New York Times Book Review*, Nov. 14, 2009.

Roy Baumeister & John Tierney, "Willpower: Rediscovering the greatest human strength." *New York Times Book Review*, Sept. 4, 2011.

Jerry Coyne, "Faith Versus Fact: Why Science and Religion are Incompatible." *Current Biology*, R638-R640, 2015.

Steven Johnson, "Extra Life: A Short History of Living Longer." *New York Times*, May 11, 2021.

### **Keynote Addresses and Honorary Lectures**

Nijmegen Lectures, Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, 1984

Keynote, Stanford Child Language Research Forum, 1985

Keynote, Language Acquisition Research Symposium, Utrecht, 1986

Keynote, NATO European Workshop on Imagery and Cognition, 1986

Keynote, Wisconsin Symposium for Research on Child Language Disorders, 1990

Keynote, Fourth Conference on the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, UC Irvine, 1990

D. O. Hebb Lecture, McGill University, 1991.

Keynote, Berkeley Linguistics Society, 1991

Keynote, Society for Philosophy and Psychology, 1991

Keynote, Boston University Conference on Language Development, 1991

Keynote, English Linguistics Society of Japan, 1992

Elizabeth McNab Lecture, McGill University, 1993

Plenary, Society for Neuroscience, 1993

Keynote, Society for Cognitive Neuroscience, 1994

Gordon Tomkins Lecture, University of California, San Francisco, 1994

Keynote, UK Child Language Symposium, 1995  
Keynote, American College of Psychoanalysts, 1995  
Keynote, Society for Literature and Science, 1995  
Whidden Lectures, McMaster University, 1996  
Wechsler Lecture, University of Texas at Austin, 1996  
Mason Library Lecture, Keene State College, 1997  
Annual Postdoctoral Fellows' Lecture, Whitehead Institute, 1997  
Keynote, Society for Music Perception and Cognition, 1997  
Symbolic Systems Distinguished Lecture, Stanford University, February 1998.  
Neuroscience Distinguished Lecture, University of California, Davis, February 1998.  
Steel Lecture, Pediatric Orthopedics Society of North America, Cleveland, May 7, 1998.  
Keynote, "Brain and Psyche" Press Seminar, Whitehead Institute, 1998.  
Plenary, Utrecht Congress on Storage and Computation in Linguistics, University of Utrecht, 1998.  
Distinguished Lecture, National Science Foundation, November 1999.  
Director's Cultural Lecture, National Institutes of Health, November, 1999.  
President's Lecture, Rice University, February 1999.  
University Lecture, University of Wisconsin at Madison, February 1999.  
President's Lecture, Lafayette College, March 1999.  
Colin Cherry Memorial Lecture, Imperial College, University of London, March 1999.  
Tanner Lectures on Human Values, Yale University, April 20-21, 1999.  
Santagata Memorial Lecture, Bowdoin College, April 26, 1999.  
IHF Distinguished Lecture on Brain, Learning, and Memory, UC Irvine, May 11, 1999.  
Earl Grey Memorial Lecture, University of Newcastle, November 10, 1999.  
Littleton-Franklin Lecture, Auburn University, April 2000  
Psi Chi / Frederick Howell Lewis Distinguished Lecture, American Psychological Association,  
August 4, 2000  
Herzberg Memorial Lecture, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada, November 2000.  
Caroline P. & Charles W. Ireland Distinguished Visiting Scholar, University of Alabama at  
Birmingham, February 2001.  
Master Lecture, Society for Research on Cognitive Development, Minneapolis, April 2001.  
Robb Lectures, University of Auckland, New Zealand, May 2001.  
President's Lecture, University of Syracuse, October 2001.  
David and James Orr Memorial Lecture, Dartmouth College, November 2001.  
Louis Clark Vanuxem Lecture, Princeton University, February 2002.  
Donald & Margaret Freeman Lecture, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, February 2002.  
Keynote, Society for the Evolutionary Analysis of Law, April 2002.  
475<sup>th</sup>-Anniversary Lecture, Philipps-University Marburg, Germany, May 2002.  
Leibniz Lecture, University of Potsdam, Germany, May 2002.  
Plenary Lecture, American Psychological Association, August 2002  
Charles Simonyi Lecture, University of Oxford, September 2002.  
William Hamilton Memorial Lecture, The New England Institute, University of New England,  
April 2003.

Dawson-Scott Memorial Lecture, PEN International Writers' Day, University of London, June 2003.

Keynote, American Society for Surgeons of the Hand, Chicago, Sept. 2003.

Robert G. Crowder Memorial Lecture, Yale University, September 2003.

Bradley Lecture, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, October 2003.

Lindemann Lecture in Human Development, Adelphi University, November 2003.

Ida Beam Distinguished Lectureship, University of Iowa, December 2003.

Hearst Lecture, University of Northern Iowa, December 2003.

University Convocation, Lawrence University, January 2004.

Keynote Address, Conference on Content and Concepts, UC Santa Barbara, February 2004.

Keynote Address, Annual Reason Foundation Weekend, Orlando, March 2004.

Frontiers in Science Lecture, Ohio University, March 2004.

Seventy-fourth James Arthur Lecture on the Evolution of the Human Brain, American Museum of Natural History, March 2004.

Keynote Lecture, Toward a Science of Consciousness, Tucson, April 2004.

Keynote Address, VI International Ontology Congress "From Gene to Logos," Museum Chilidaleku, San Sebastian, Spain. Sept. 2004.

Keynote Address, Annual meeting of the Freedom from Religion Foundation, Madison WI, Oct. 2004.

Keynote Address, "Liberal Education: Dead or Alive?" conference, Dartmouth College, Nov. 2004.

Keynote Address, "Story/Metaphor/Vision" Conference, Stanford University, Nov. 2004.

Tanner Lecture in Human Values, Southern Utah University, March 2005.

President's Distinguished Lecture, Case Western Reserve University, March 2005.

Keynote Address, "Literary Lights Dinner," Friends of Boston Public Library, April 2005.

Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the American Psychological Society, Los Angeles, May 2005.

Keynote Address, Bradley Conference on "The Medicalization of Morality," American Enterprise Institute, June 2005.

Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Austin, June 2005.

Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the Humanist Society of America, Tampa, May 2006.

Steinberg Lecture, McGill University Health Center, April 2007.

Calvaruso Lecture, Albion College, April 2007.

Chandaria Lecture, Institute of Philosophy, University of London, October 2007.

Visiting Professor Lecture, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School, October 2007.

Lamar Conerly Lecture, Mississippi State University, October 2007.

Gordon Gray Lecture on the Craft of Scholarly Writing, Harvard University, November 2007.

Keynote Address, World Congress of Science and Factual Producers, New York, November, 2007.

Keynote Address, Conference on Linguistics and Culture, 3rd International Symposium on Intercultural Communication and Pragmatics, January 2008.

Keynote Address, Joint Conference of the Linguistics Society of South Africa, the South Africa Association of Language Acquisition, and the South Africa Association of Language Therapists, January 2008



Douglas Adams Memorial Lecture, Royal Geographical Society, London, March 2008.  
Hovedtal University Lecture, University of Tromsø, Norway, March 2008.  
Keynote Address, New England Evolutionary Psychology Society, May 2008.  
Heller Lecture, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, May 2008.  
Enlightenment Lecture, Edinburgh University, June 2008.  
Presidential Lecture, Canadian Psychological Association, Halifax, Nova Scotia, June 2008.  
Robert C. Cobb Memorial Lecture and Convocation Address, Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement, September 2008.  
J. V. Clyne Lecture, University of British Columbia, September 2008.  
Convocation Lecture, University of Oregon, September 2008.  
James S. Plant Distinguished Scientist Lecture, Hamilton College, September 2009.  
Keynote Address, Society for Judgment and Decision Making, November 2009.  
Solomon Schechter Lecture, University of Cambridge, March 2010.  
George A. Miller Lecture, Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Montreal, April 2010.  
Psi Chi Distinguished Lecture, Psi Chi: International Honors Program in Psychology, Annual Meeting of the Association for Psychological Science, Boston, May 2010.  
Milton Lecture, Syracuse University, Oct. 2010.  
Stratton Lecture, MIT, Nov. 2010.  
Paul Kurtz Lecture, University at Buffalo, Dec. 2010.  
Spencer T. and Ann W. Olin Address, Cornell University, March 2011.  
Keynote Address, "Ethics and the Brain," University of Missouri, March 2011.  
Keynote Address, "Making Sense of Violence?", University of Bern, September 2011.  
Vernon L. Pack Distinguished Lecturer and Scholar in Residence, Otterbein University, February 2012.  
Dr. Jean Mayer Award Keynote Address, "Conflict in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century," Institute for Global Leadership, Tufts University, February 2012.  
Humanities & Social Sciences Lecture, Norwegian Academy of Sciences and Letters, March 2012.  
Norman Lecture, Bishop's University, March 2012.  
Varner Vitality Lecture and Keynote address, "The Evolution of Violence," Oakland University, April 2012.  
Keynote Address, Annual Meeting of the David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Affairs, Harvard University, May 11.  
Keynote Address, "Social Meets Science," 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Behavioral Sciences Summit, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University, June 2012.  
Keynote Address, "Crime Prevention and Social Innovation," 2<sup>nd</sup> International Forum, National Crime Prevention and Citizen Participation Center, Mexico, September 2012.  
Franke Lectures, Yale University, Nov. 1-2, 2012.  
Francis Crick Lecture, Salk Institute, February 2013.  
200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Lecture, Rhode Island Medical Society and Brown University Institute for Brain Science, February 2013.  
Keynote Address, The Neuroscience and Social Conflict Initiative, "Dehumanization in Conflict" Meeting, MIT, Feb. 16-17.  
Voltaire Lecture, British Humanist Society, London, March, 2013.

Keynote Address, Intelligence Community Research Fellowship Program Annual Colloquium, US Institute of Peace, Washington, DC, April 2013.

Niko Tinbergen Lecture, University of Leiden, May 2013.

The Gifford Lectures, University of Edinburgh, May 2013.

Ramon y Cajal Lecture, International Neuropsychiatry Society, Chicago, September 2013.

Aiken Lecture, University of Vermont, October 2013.

Andros Lecture, University of Chicago, October 2013.

Dan and Margaret Carper Lecture, Eastern Washington University, November 2013.

Keynote address, National Council of Teachers of English College Section, Boston, Nov 2013.

The Hitchcock Lectures, University of California, Berkeley, February 2014.

Haldane Lecture, Wolfson College, University of Oxford, February 2014.

Keynote address, Eastern Psychological Association, Boston, March 2014.

Keynote address, conference on "Human Rights and the Humanities," National Humanities Center, March 2014.

Keynote address, Foreign Language Teaching and Applied Linguistics Annual Meeting, and Forum on Cognitive Linguistics, International Burch University, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, May 2014.

Keynote address, WHO & University of Cambridge Conference on "Global Violence Reduction," Cambridge, UK, September 2014.

Keynote address, Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, New York, October 2014.

Keynote address, Joint "IC Clear" and "Clarity" Annual Meeting, Antwerp, November 2014.

Keynote address, Nobel Peace Prize Forum, Minneapolis, November 2015.

Vanuxem Lecture, Princeton University, April 2015.

Keynote address, ClearMark Award Conference, Center for Plain Language, National Press Club, Washington, DC May 2015.

David Myers Lecture, Association for Psychological Science, New York, May 2015.

President's Invited Address, International Society for Intelligence Research, Albuquerque, September 2015.

Zurich Lecture, Conference on "The Economics of War and Peace," UBS International Center of Economics in Society, University of Zurich, November 2015.

Insight Lecture, Rockefeller University, December 2015.

Albert Wolters Distinguished Lecture, University of Reading, UK, May 2016.

William James Fellow Award Lecture, Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, May 2016.

Keynote, Science Media Awards & Summit, Boston, September 2016.

Noshpitz Cline Lecture, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, New York, Oct. 26, 2016.

Distinguished Contributor Interview, International Society for Intelligence Research, Montreal, July 16, 2017.

Distinguished Contribution Prize Lecture, New England Psychological Association, Newton, MA Oct. 21, 2017.

Keynote, American Humanist Association, Washington, Oct. 29, 2017.

Clifford Fawl Lecture, Nebraska Wesleyan University, March 22, 2018.

Chancellor's Distinguished Speaker Series, University of California, Irvine, Oct. 17, 2018.

Harnack Lecture, Max-Planck-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der Wissenschaften, Berlin, Oct. 24, 2018.

T. S. Eliot Lecture, Dublin, November 4, 2018.

Human Roots Award Lecture, Neuwied, Germany, Nov. 9, 2018

Lovett Peters Lecture in Public Policy, Pioneer Institute, Boston, Dec. 4, 2018

Ernst Mayr Lecture, Berlin Institute for Advanced Study and Berlin-Brandenburgian Academy of Science, Dec. 11, 2018.

Adam Smith Lecture, Adam Smith Institute, House of Lords, London, March 21, 2019.

Keynote, Global Skills and Education Forum, Dubai, March 24, 2019.

Keynote, "A Blank Slate – Brain Science and Cultures Conference," Florence, Fondazione Intercultura, April 4, 2019.

Noesis Lecture, Eudaimonia Institute, Wake Forest University, April 23, 2019.

Helen Edison Lecture, University of California, San Diego, April 26, 2019.

Presidential Lecture, Economic and Social Council, United Nations, May 20, 2019.

Raymond Williams Lecture, Hay Literary Festival, Hay-on-Wye, Wales, May 31, 2019.

The PRIO Annual Peace Address, Peace Research Institute of Oslo, June 6, 2019.

Keynote, Heterodox Academy, New York, June 21, 2019.

Keynote, Foundation for Individual Rights in Education Faculty Conference, November 1, 2019.

Keynote and Psi Chi Lecture, Eastern Psychological Association, June 2020.

Keynote Lecture, Reimagining Victory, 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary of V-E Day commemoration, Imperial War Museum, June 2020.

Beatty Lecture, McGill University, September 2020.

Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks Memorial Lecture, University College London, February 2021.

Adam Curle Peace Lecture, Division of Peace Studies & International Development, University of Bradford, February 2021.

Keynote address, Canadian Psychological Association, June 2021.

Presidential Address, North American Spine Society, Boston, September 2021.

### **Recent Public Lectures at Libraries, Museums, and Societies**

Hay Literary Festival, Cartagena, Colombia, January 2015

Facebook headquarters, March 2015.

Ipsen Pharma, April 2015.

Robert Hutchings Library, Clark University, April 2015.

World Science Festival, New York May 2015.

European City of Science Lecture, University of Manchester, September 2015.

Royal Institution of Great Britain, September 2015.

Iowa City Public Library, September 2015.

Ethical Society of St. Louis, Oct. 2015.

Town Hall Seattle, Oct. 2015.

Cary Lecture, Lexington, MA, Nov. 2015.

PEN Canada, Toronto, Oct. 2015.

Veritas Forum, Harvard University, Oct. 2015.

Union Theological Seminary, New York, Oct. 2015.  
The Munk Debates, Toronto, Nov. 2015.  
White Lights Festival, Lincoln Center, New York, Nov. 2015.  
Central Square Theater, Cambridge, MA. Nov. 2015.  
New College of the Humanities, London, March 2016.  
Seoul Digital Forum, May 2016.  
American Museum of Natural History, New York, May 2016.  
Sydney Opera House, June 2017  
Grand Amphithéâtre des Arts et Métiers, Paris, Oct. 9, 2017  
Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue, Montreal, Oct. 24, 2017  
Forum do Futuro, Rivoli Theater, Porto, Portugal, November 2017  
Emmanuel Center, London, February 2018  
Royal Society for the Arts, London, February 2018  
Humanists UK, Institute of Education, London, February 2018  
Philadelphia Public Library, March 2018  
Atlanta History Center, March 2018  
St. Louis Public Library, March 2018  
OZYFest, New York, July 2018  
Commonwealth Club, San Francisco, September 2018  
How the Light Gets In, London, September 2018  
Argentina 2030, Buenos Aires, September 2018  
Cleveland Museum of Art, September 2018  
Citek Centro Fox, Mexico, October 2018  
Chicago Humanities Festival, October 2018  
Boston Book Festival, October 2018  
World Frontiers Forum, Cambridge, MA, October 2018  
Global Leaders Forum, Washington, October 2018  
Center for Skeptical Inquiry CSI Con, Las Vegas, October 2018  
Singularity University Nordic, Stockholm, October 2018.  
Fischer National Library, Frankfurt, October 2018  
The Night of the Free Thinker, Ghent, Belgium, November 2018  
Kaufleuten, Zurich, November 2018.  
The Times Literary Festival, Mumbai, December 2018.  
Euromind, Ateneo de Madrid, February 2019.  
Standup Science, Boston, February 2019.  
National Institutes of Health, March 2019.  
Reaching Out to the Portuguese, Francisco Manuel dos Santos Foundation, Lisbon, June 1, 2019.  
Celebrar El Futuro - Comfama Conferencia, Plaza Mayor, Medellin, Colombia, August 28, 2019.  
Sura Summit: Medellin, Bogotá, San Salvador, Mexico City, Lima, Montevideo, Oct.-Nov., 2019.

### **Recent Papers Presented to Professional Meetings**

- Pinker, S. (2015) Interview by Patrick Kenny. "The Future of War," New America Foundation, Washington, Feb. 25.
- Pinker, S. (2015) Has there been human progress? Cambridge Round Table, Harvard Faculty Club, Feb. 26.
- Pinker, S. (2015) The sense of style. Learning and the Brain, New York, May 9.
- Pinker, S. (2015) The sense of style. Northwest Editors Association, Oct. 10.
- Pinker, S. (2015) The past, present, and future of violence. Conference on "Human Nature and Peace," Universidad de Los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, Nov. 4.
- Pinker, S. (2016) Clarity and coherence in teaching and writing. National Institute for the Teaching of Psychology, St. Petersburg Beach, FL, Jan 3.
- Reed, L. I., DeScioli, P. & Pinker, S. (2016) The commitment function of angry facial expressions. Society for Personality and Social Psychology, San Diego, Jan.
- Pinker, S. (2016) The curse of knowledge: Why we communicate badly (in any medium). FORCE11: The Future of Research Communications and e-Scholarship, Portland, OR, April 18.
- Pinker, S. (2016) The sense of style: Writing in the 21st century. Association for Psychological Science, Chicago, May 26.
- Nemirow, J., Krasnow, M. M., Howard, R. M., & Pinker, S. Ineffective charitable altruism suggests adaptations for partner choice. Paper presented at the 28th annual meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Vancouver, June.
- Hartshorne, J., Tenenbaum, J., & Pinker, S. (2016) A critical period for second language acquisition: Evidence from 669,498 English speakers. Paper presented at the 41st Annual Boston University Conference on Language Development, Nov. 4-6.
- Pinker, S. (2017) Human progress and Enlightenment environmentalism. #EarthOptimism Summit, University of Cambridge, April 21.
- De Freitas, J., DeScioli, P, Thomas, K. A, & Pinker, S. (2017) The ladder of charity. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society, Boise, July.
- Pinker, S. (2017) Democracy and ecomodernism., Breakthrough Institute, Sausalito, CA, June 22.
- Pinker, S. & Lubinski, D. (2017) Distinguished Contributor interview, International Society for Intelligence Research, Montreal, July 16.
- Pinker, S. (2017) Pessimism in a world of progress. American Accounting Association, San Diego, Aug. 9.
- Pinker, S. (2017) The case for progress. Conference on "Should we fear the future?", Science and Technology Options Assessment, European Parliament, Brussels, Oct. 19.
- Niemi, L, De Brigard, F. & Pinker, S. (2018) Explaining Blame: How theories about violence influence apportioning of blame to self and other. Society for Psychology and Philosophy, Ann Arbor, July.
- Pinker, S. (2018) What is intelligence? Annual Meeting of The President's Circle, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Washington, April 17.
- Pinker, S. (2019) Authenticity and ethics in research. National Collegiate Research Conference, Cambridge, MA, Jan 25.
- Mehr, S. A., Singh, M., Knox, D., Ketter, D. M., Pickens-Jones, D., Atwood, S., Lucas, C., Egner, A., Jacoby, N., Hopkins, E. J., Howard, R. M., O'Donnell, T. J., Pinker, S., Krasnow, M. M., &

- Glowacki, L. (2019, April). A natural history of song. Presented at the European Human Behavior and Evolution Association Annual Conference, Toulouse, France.
- Pinker, S. (2019) The case for reason, science, humanism, and progress. 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Higher Education Summit, Toronto, Dec. 2.
- Pinker, S. (2020) Language, cognition, and human nature. Brazilian Linguistics Association, June 23.
- Pinker, S. (2020) Thoughts on global governance and the last world war. World Federalist Movement, Oct. 24.

### **Recent University Colloquia**

- Wellesley College Freedom Project, February 2015.
- University of California, Irvine, Dept. of Psychology & Social Behavior, March 2015.
- Universidad de Los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, Dept. of Psychology, November 2015.
- Weil-Cornell University Medical School, December 2015.
- George Mason University, October 2016
- World Bank Social and Behavioral Sciences Seminar, October 2016
- University of British Columbia, Depts. of Political Science and Psychology, February 2018.
- Trinity College, Dublin, Program in Neurohumanities, February 2018.
- University of Toronto, Rotman School, March 2018.
- Williams College, Sept. 2018
- Rutgers University Center for Cognitive Science, Oct. 2018
- University of California, Santa Barbara, Sage Center for the Study of Mind, Oct. 2018
- University of California, Irvine, Oct. 2018
- Purdue University, Oct. 2018
- MIT Starr Forum, Center for International Studies, Nov. 15, 2018.
- École Normale Supérieure, Paris, Nov. 7, 2018.
- Faculty of Education and Psychology, Eötvös Lóránd University, Budapest, June 4, 2019.
- Centre d'Etudes et de Recherches Internationales, Université de Montréal, Sept. 2019.
- Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire (CERN), Geneva, October 2019.
- University of Geneva, October 2019.
- Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico City, October 2019.
- University of Pennsylvania, Dept. of Psychology, Feb. 2020
- Stevens Institute of Technology, March 2021
- Stanford University, Seminar on Classical Liberalism, March 2021

### **Major Film Appearances**

- The Seven Wonders of the World* (solo), BBC, 1997
- Me & Isaac Newton* (one of seven featured scientists), Clear Blue Sky Productions, 2000. Re-released with the film *Inspirations* and additional material as *The Nature of Genius*, 2014.

*How the Mind Works* with Steven Pinker, Into the Classroom Media, 2000.  
*Profile: Nature Boy*, BBC, September, 2002.  
*In-Depth: Steven Pinker*, C-SPAN2, [www.booktv.org](http://www.booktv.org), 2008.  
*Inside the Psychologist's Studio: Steven Pinker*, Association for Psychological Science, 2015.  
*The Violence Paradox*. NOVA, PBS, 2019, based on *The Better Angels of Our Nature*. Nominated for a 2020 Emmy for Outstanding Science and Technology Documentary.

### **Exhibits Curated**

Pinker, S., Cohen-Cole, J., & Schechner, S. (2007) *The Rediscovery of the Mind: Harvard and the Cognitive Revolution*. Permanent exhibit, Depts. of Psychology and History of Science, William James Hall, Harvard University.

Pinker, S., Miller, G., Boyd, B., & Changizi, M. (2016) *On the Origin of Art*. Museum of Old and New Art, Hobart, Tasmania.

### **Doctoral Students**

David Lebeaux (1st advisor)  
Cathryn Downing (1st advisor)  
Jess Gropen  
Karin Stromswold  
Michael Tarr  
Kyle Cave  
Paul Bloom (co-advisor)  
Gary Marcus  
John J. Kim  
Sandeep Prasada (co-advisor)  
Fei Xu (co-advisor)  
Michael Ullman  
Anne Senghas  
Jennifer Ganger  
Jaemin Rhee  
Ned Sahin  
Yi-Ting Huang (co-advisor)  
James Lee  
Kyle Thomas  
Josh Hartshorne (co-advisor)  
Timothy O'Donnell (co-advisor)  
Samuel Mehr (co-advisor)  
Jason Nemirow  
Julian de Freitas (co-advisor)  
Juliani Vidal

## Postdoctoral Students

Martha Farah  
Lawrence Parsons  
Michael van Kleeck  
Karin Stromswold  
Greg Hickok  
Ronen Basri  
Michael Ullman  
Jaemin Rhee  
Ned Sahin  
Vincent Chieh-Ying Chang  
Omar Sultan Haque  
Jean-Baptiste Michel  
Peter DeScioli  
Lawrence Ian Reed  
Laura Niemi  
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