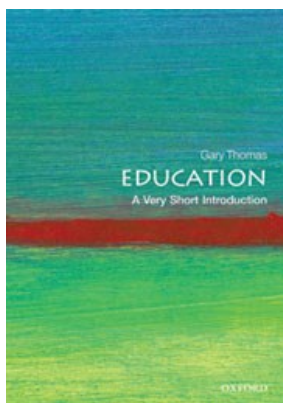


Education: A Very Short Introduction

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The School of Education's, **Professor Gary Thomas** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/staff/profiles/education/thomas-gary.aspx>) has recently published his latest book, *Education: A Very Short Introduction*. As the title suggests, the book is about the subject matter of Education and whilst giving a brief overview, poses some challenging questions. Thomas asks: what is the point of education? What is it for? Are we sending children to school to be able to learn facts or is education about developing minds and learning how to think?

Part of the Very Short Introduction series from the publisher, Thomas has received some glowing praise with the new book described by the Times Higher Education as 'a *real gem of a book that pulls ideas together, that challenges and inspires and that makes you laugh.*' Read the **full review** (<http://www.timeshighereducation.co.uk/books/education-a-very-short-introduction-by-gary-thomas/2002267.article>) on the Times Higher Educational Supplement Website.