

Updated references for The Lacanian Subject ***(online only)*** ---

- p. xvii: In last paragraph, change
“*Écrits* 1966 refers to the French edition of the *Écrits* published by Seuil in Paris, while *Écrits* alone refers to Alan Sheridan’s 1977 English selection published by Norton.”
to
“*Écrits* refers to *Écrits: The First Complete Edition in English*, translated by Bruce Fink and published by Norton in 2006.”
- p. 4, third line from bottom: change “Agency” to “Instance”
- p. 15, middle: change “Agency” to “Instance”
- p. 15, last line: change “*Écrits* 1966”
to
“*Écrits*, pp. 30–46”
- p. 17, 10 lines from bottom: change “*Écrits* 1966, p. 47 n. 1”
to
“*Écrits*, p. 47 n. 21
- p. 19, quote at end of page: change
“the remembering [*mémoration*] in question in the unconscious—and I mean the Freudian unconscious—is not the same as that assumed to be involved in memory, insofar as this latter would be the property of a living being” (*Écrits* 1966, p. 42).
to
“the remembering [*mémoration*] at stake in the unconscious—and I mean the Freudian unconscious—is not related to the register that is assumed to be that of memory, insofar

- as memory is taken to be a property of a living being” (*Écrits*, p. 31).
- p. 20, last 5 lines of 1st paragraph: change quote from the “Seminar on ‘The Purloined Letter’” to the following:
- “Like the man who withdrew to an island to forget—to forget what? he forgot—so the Minister, by not making use of the letter, comes to forget it. This is expressed by the persistence of his conduct. But the letter, no more than the neurotic’s unconscious, does not forget him” (*Écrits*, pp. 24–25).
- p. 20, last 5 lines of 2nd paragraph: change to the following:
- “For the time being, the links of this [constituting order that is the symbolic] are the only ones that can be suspected to suffice to account for Freud’s notion of the indestructibility of what his unconscious preserves” (*Écrits*, p. 31)—that is, suffice to guarantee indestructibility.
- p. 20, after new section heading: change quote on lines 4–6 to read as follows:
- [or rather] letters *constitute* assemblages. They don’t *designate* assemblages, they *are* assemblages; they are taken as functioning like these assemblages themselves” (pp. 47–48).
- change p. 47 to p. 48 on last line of paragraph
- p. 22, first epigraph: change “298” to “677”
- p. 38, line 2: change “treasure” to “treasure-trove”
- p. 42, lines 1 and 2 after second heading on page: change
- it surges forth only to disappear almost instantaneously
- to
- “he disappears as soon as he emerges” (Seminar XVI, p. 12)

- p. 47, line 6 of text: change “as subject” to “as a subject”
- p. 52, lines 4–5: change “November 16, 1966” to “p. 23”
- p. 53, end of indented quote: change “December 5, 1962” to “pp. 53–54”
- p. 54, 10 lines from bottom: change p. 312 to p. 690
- p. 55, middle: change “Question Preliminary to any” to “Question Prior to Any”
- p. 57, line 13: change p. 200 to p. 465
- p. 59, last line: change p. 280 to p. 542 n. 17
- p. 65, line 4: change (Seminar XX) to (Seminar XX, p. 49)
- p. 72, line 8 from bottom: change “p. 323” to “p. 700”
- p. 73, 4th full paragraph: change
 “subject is constituted by the message” (*Écrits*, p. 305)
 to
 “subject constitutes himself on the basis of the message” (*Écrits*, p. 683)
- p. 79, line 8 from bottom: change “rock” to “bedrock”
- p. 90, first epigraph, line 5: change “p. 287” to “p. 580”
- p. 91, line 8: delete “1966”
- p. 99, line 8: change “April 12, 1967” to “p. 267”
- p. 101, line 6: change “February 22, 1967” to “p. 198”
- p. 102, indented quote: replace whole quote with the following:
 One could say that this signifier is chosen as the most salient [or: protruding (*saillant* means both)] of what can be grasped in sexual intercourse [*copulation*] as real [i.e., as a real, not imaginary or symbolic, activity], as well as the most symbolic, in the literal (typographical) sense of the term, since it is equivalent in intercourse to the (logical) copula. One could also say that, by virtue of its

- turgidity [or: tumescence], it is the image of the vital flow as it is transmitted in generation. (*Écrits*, p. 581)
- p. 102, line 3 from bottom: change “suffers” to “undergoes”; change “breaking into pieces” to “fragmentation”
- p. 102, last line: delete “1966” and change “715” to “599”
- p. 103, first 3 lines: change to read as follows:
- serves the function of signifying the lack of being [want in being or want to be (*manque à être*, without the usual dashes)] that is wrought in the subject by his relation to the signifier” (pp. 594–95).
- p. 103, lines 7–10: change the quote to read as follows:
- “A symbol comes to the place of lack constituted by the ‘missing from its place’ that is necessary for the dimension of displacement, from which the whole play of symbols stems, to arise” (p. 607);
- p. 103, paragraph 2, lines 8–11: change the quote to read as follows:
- “What is most anxiety-producing for the child is when the relationship through which he comes into being—on the basis of lack which makes him desire—is most perturbed: when there is no possibility of lack, when his mother is constantly on his back” (Seminar X, pp. 53–54).
- p. 103, paragraph 3, line 1: change “lack of having” to “not-having”
- p. 103, paragraph 3, line 3: change
- “1966, p. 730; *Feminine Sexuality*, p. 9”
- to
- “p. 614”
- p. 106, line 5 from bottom: change “66” to “70”
- p. 107, line 10: change “75” to “81”
- p. 109, line 4: change “him or herself” to “itself”

- p. 109, line 6: change
“can be situated. (p. 74, my emphasis)”
to
“acquires his inscription. (p. 79, my emphasis)”
- p. 109, line 13: change “can be situated”
to
“acquires his inscription”
- p. 109, line 15: change “denied” to “negated”
- p. 109, line 16: change
“exception—the exception posited as the term
that altogether”
to
“exception posited as the end-point, that is, on
that which altogether”
- p. 109, line 17: change “p. 74” to “pp. 79–80”
- p. 118, line 4 from bottom: change “71” to “77”
- p. 119, middle: change “26” to “23”
- p. 119, last paragraph: change quote to read as follows:
“A man serves here [in relation to castration]
as a relay so that a woman become this Other
to herself, as she is to him” (*Écrits*, p. 616).
- p. 123, line 2: change “is to” to “must”
- p. 123, line 4: change “22” to “17–18”
- p. 123, middle: change “p. 14” to “p. 9”
- p. 129, line 5: change “November 16, 1966” to “p. 28”
- p. 129, line 7: change “November 23, 1966” to “p. 29”
- p. 135, line 2 from bottom: change “p. 17” to “pp. 11–13”
- p. 149, epigraph: change “p. 61” to “p. 65”
- p. 151, line 5: change “65” to “68”

- p. 151, middle: change “64” to “67”
- p. 151, 2–3 lines further down: change quote to read as follows:
 “Perhaps the less I assume [Aristotle] has knowledge, the better I read him”
- p. 151, last line: change “29” to “26”
- p. 153, line 2: delete the words “as yet untranslated”
- p. 153, line 3: change “(*Écrits* 1966, pp. 41–61)” to “(*Écrits*, pp. 30–48)”
- p. 153, line 1 after new heading: delete “(*Écrits* 1966, pp. 41–61)”
- p. 154, line 2 before Figure A1.2: change “*Écrits* 1966, p. 48)” to “(*Écrits*, p. 35)”
- p. 156, line 2 of 6th paragraph: change “(1966, p. 49)” to “(p. 36)”
- p. 156, last line of 7th paragraph: change “50 of *Écrits* 1966.” to “37 of *Écrits*.”
- p. 162, line 2 of second paragraph: change “p. 57” to “p. 48 n. 28”
- p. 162, line 3 of third paragraph: after 1957, add:
 ; not included in the published edition
- p. 165, lines 7–8: change “Schema L” to “L Schema”
- p. 165, line 14: change “51” to “38” and delete “1966”
- p. 166, line 10: change
 “Schema L”
 to
 the L Schema (no extra quotes)
- p. 166, line 12: change “Chain L” to “L Chain”
- p. 166, lines 13–14: change “make Chain L correspond to Schema L” to “make the L Chain correspond to the L Schema”
- p. 166, line 19: change “Lacan’s Schema L to each part of Chain L” to “Lacan’s L Schema to each part of the L Chain”

- p. 167, middle: change “Schema L” to “the L Schema”
- p. 168, middle: change “Lacan’s Schema L” to “Lacan’s L Schema”
- p. 168, last paragraph, lines 4 and 7: change “Schema L” to “the L Schema”
- p. 169, line 1 of first full paragraph: change “Schema L’s” to “the L Schema’s”
- p. 169, line 1 of paragraph before indented quote: change “Schema L” to “the L Schema”
- pp. 169–70, indented quote: change the entire quote to read as follows:
- The only **remainder** required by this attempt is the formalism of a certain remembering [*mémoration*] related to the symbolic chain, whose law one could easily formulate with respect to the L chain.
- (This law is essentially defined by the relay constituted, in the alternation of 0s and 1s, by the surmounting [*franchissement*] of one or several parenthetical signs and of which signs [opening or closing parentheses, taken singly or in combination, and so on].)
- What must be kept in mind here is the rapidity with which a formalization is obtained that is suggestive both of a remembering that is primordial in the subject and of a structuration in which it is notable that stable disparities can be distinguished therein (indeed, the same dissymmetrical structure persists if, for example, we reverse all the quotes).
- This is but an exercise, but it fulfills my intent to inscribe therein the sort of **contour** where what I have called the signifier’s *caput mortuum* takes on its **causal** aspect.
- This effect is as manifest when grasped here as in the fiction of “The Purloined Letter.” (*Écrits*, pp. 42–43; highlighting mine)
- p. 171, 7 lines from bottom: change “Schema L” to “L Schema”
- p. 173, middle: change “treasure-house” to “treasure-trove”

- p. 174, middle: change “p. 280” to “p. 542 n. 17”
- p. 177, footnote 5: delete the words “forthcoming A” and change 1996 to 1997.
- p. 177, footnote 5: delete the second sentence
- p. 177, 2 lines from bottom: change “p. 312.” to “pp. 316 and 459.”
- p. 178, note 7: change “p. 23” to “p. 96”
- p. 178, note 8: change “1966, p. 714” to “p. 598”
- p. 178, note 14: change “1966, pp. 41–61” to “pp. 30–46”
- p. 178, note 15: change “*The Purloined Poe*, p. 49.” to “*Écrits*, pp. 26–27.”
- p. 178, note 16: change “*The Purloined Poe*, p. 49.” to “*Écrits*, pp. 16, 423, and 719.”
- p. 178, note 17: delete “translated by Bruce Fink, *Newsletter of the Freudian Field* 3 (1989): 5
- p. 178, note 17: change “*Écrits* 1966, p. 856.” to “*Écrits*, p. 746.”
- p. 177, footnote 18: delete the words “forthcoming A” and change 1996 to 1997. Three lines further down, change 1995 to 1996.
- p. 177, footnote 3: change
“*Formations de l’inconscient* [Unconscious Formations], unpublished, 1957–1958.”
to
“*Formations of the Unconscious*. Translated by Russell Grigg. Cambridge: Polity, 2017.”
- p. 178, note 7: add to beginning of note:
“*Je est un autre*” (“I is an other”) is from Rimbaud’s letter to Georges Izambard dated May 13, 1871; see Arthur Rimbaud, *Oeuvres complètes* (Paris: Gallimard, 1954), p. 268.
- p. 179, note 5: change “March 27, 1957” to “p. 261.”
- p. 179, note 5: change quote starting on next line to read as follows:

“From the vantage point of the unconscious, a quadripartite structure can always be required in the construction of a subjective ordering” (*Écrits*, p. 653).

p. 181, 7–8 lines from bottom: change

“sequence, a linear series of signs connoting the alternative absence or presence”

to

“sequence, that of a linear series of signs connoting the presence/absence alternative”

p. 181, 7 lines from bottom: change “p. 141” to “p. 359”

p. 182, first note 9: change “p. 150” to “p. 416”

p. 182, note 1: change to read as follows:

“The letter kills, but we learn this from the letter itself” (*Écrits*, p. 719). The notion that the letter kills is first found in *Écrits* on page 16.

p. 182, note 1: add at end of note:

This is repeated in Seminar VI, p. 349.

p. 182, note 1: add at end of note:

In Seminar XIV he says that the subject’s being (Dasein) resides in object *a* (p. 396).

p. 183, note 1: change “the Function of the I” to “the *I* Function” and change pp. 1–7 to pp. 75–81

p. 183, note 8: change “in *Écrits*.” to “(*Écrits*, p. 677).”

p. 183, note 15: replace existing footnote with “*Écrits*, p. 729.”

p. 184, note 11: add at end of note:

On the fleetingness of the Lacanian subject, see Lacan’s comment in Seminar XVI: “Here the subject is stifled and effaced at the very moment he appears. How can some facet of this subject, who disappears as soon as he emerges—produced by a signifier in order to

immediately fade [*s'éteindre*] in another—be constituted and ultimately take himself to be a *Selbstbewußtsein* [self-consciousness or self-awareness], in other words, to be something that is content to be identical to itself?” (p. 12)

p. 186, note 15:

add at end of note:

In Seminar VI, Lacan suggests that object *a* comes into play “as the prop the subject gives himself inasmuch as he falters” (p. 366). We might almost speculate that a subject no longer has any need for object *a* as a prop when he or she comes into his or her own as a desiring subject. See my *Lacan on Desire: Reading Seminar VI* (London: Palgrave, 2025).

p. 186, note 17:

change second sentence to read:

“On the French imperfect, see *Écrits*, p. 713.”

p. 186, note 18:

change first sentence to simply read:

“*Écrits*, pp. 161–75.”

(Delete “English translation . . .”)

p. 186, note 19:

change “in English in *Yale French Studies* 55/56 (1977): 11–52”

to

“in Seminar VI.”

p. 186, note 19:

change end of note to:

1995); and my *Lacan on Desire* (London: Palgrave, 2025).

p. 186, note 20:

change p. 289 to p. 582

p. 186, note 21:

change p. 321 to p. 698

p. 187, note 24:

change “January 13, 1971” to “p. 5”

p. 187, note 24:

change “p. 13” to “p. 87”

p. 187, note 2:

replace note with “*Écrits*, p. 169.”

p. 187, note 3:

change 157 to 422

- p. 187, note 5: replace note with “*Écrits*, p. 708.”
- p. 187, note 8: change 323 to 699
- p. 187, note 8: change “is certainly not” to “is by no means”
- p. 188, note 12: change note to read as follows:

For far more complete discussions of psychosis (e.g., the failure of the paternal metaphor and its consequences), see chapter 7 of my *Clinical Introduction to Lacanian Psychoanalysis* (Cambridge: Harvard University Press, 1997), chapter 10 of *Fundamentals of Psychoanalytic Technique: A Lacanian Approach for Practitioners* (New York: Norton, 2007), and chapter 2 of *Miss-ing: Psychoanalysis 2.0* (London: Aeon Books, 2024).
- p. 188, note 2, line 3: delete “that appears . . .” to end of sentence.
- p. 189, note 5, last line: Regarding the child’s use of the image of another child as a sort of prosthetic prop for the establishment of its own ego, see chapter 5 of my *Lacan on Love* (Cambridge: Polity, 2016).
- p. 190, note 22, last line: change “*Écrits* 1966, p. 389.”

to
“*Écrits*, p. 324.”
- p. 190, note 23, line 3: italicize i(a) and (a)
- p. 190, note 23, line 4–5: change quote to read:

“What lies under the habit, what we call the body, is perhaps but the remainder I call object *a*” (Seminar XX, p. 6).
- p. 190, note 27, line 2: delete:
forthcoming book, A
- p. 190, note 27, line 3: change 1996 to 1997
- p. 191, note 29, line 1: change “April 12, 1967” to “pp. 266–67”
- p. 191, note 29, lines 2–3: delete to end of sentence after Seminar XX
- p. 191, note 29, indented quote: change quote to read as follows:

A word here to shed light on the relationship between law [*droit*] and jouissance. “Usufruct”—that’s a legal notion, isn’t it?—brings together in one word what I already mentioned in my seminar on ethics, namely, the difference between utility and jouissance. What purpose does utility serve? That has never been well defined owing to the prodigious respect speaking beings have, due to language, for means. “Usufruct” suggests that you can enjoy [*jouir de*] your means, but must not waste them. When you have the usufruct of an inheritance, you can enjoy the inheritance [*en jouir*] as long as you don’t use up too much of it. That is clearly the essence of law—to divide up, distribute, or reattribute everything that counts as jouissance.

What is jouissance? Here it amounts to no more than a negative instance. Jouissance is what serves no purpose [*ne sert à rien*].

- p. 192, note 2: replace all of note with “*Écrits*, p. 715.”
- p. 192, note 5, line 1: change “must” to “has to”
- p. 192, note 5, line 2: change “1966, p. 827; *Écrits*, p. 324” to “p. 700”
- p. 192, note 10, line 2: change
merely contingent” (p. 87).
to
mere contingency” (p. 94).
- p. 192, note 12, line 2: change
1966, p. 219; *Feminine Sexuality*, pp. 65–66
to
, p. 179
- p. 192, note 12, end: change
Écrits 1966, pp. 722–23
to
Écrits, p. 607

- p. 192, note 14: add a paragraph at the beginning of the note as follows:
- Regarding the degree to which language uses us, consider Lacan's comment in Seminar XVII: "When I say 'the use of language,' I don't mean that we use it, that we employ it—rather, we are its employees. Language uses us and it enjoys thereby" (p. 74).
- p. 193, note 17, line 11: change "April 12, 1967" to "p. 259"
- p. 194, note 21, line 2: delete "1966"
- p. 195, note 39: change whole note to read as follows:
See *Écrits*, p. 712.
- p. 195, note 40: change
See *Écrits* 1966, p. 875 (in English, *Newsletter of the Freudian Field* 3 (1989): 22,
to
See *Écrits*, p. 743,
- p. 195, note 40, last 2 lines: change
see my book on *Modern-Day Hysteria* (Albany: SUNY Press, forthcoming).
to
see "Marilyn Monroe and Modern-Day Hysteria" in my collection *Against Understanding*, vol. 1 (London: Routledge, 2014).
- p. 196, note 49: add, at end of note, the following sentence:

Regarding the materiality of language, see Lacan's comments on "the kilos of language" around us ("stacks of book and piles of papers") in Seminar VIII, p. 27.
- p. 196, note 51: Change "March 13, 1963" to "p. 179"
- p. 196, note 52: Change "p. 26" to "p. 23"
- p. 197, note 54: Change note to read as follows:

See chapter 6 of my *Lacan on Love* (Cambridge: Polity, 2016); I discuss there the

- connection Lacan draws between the Other
jouissance and love.
- p. 197, note 56, line 9: Change “vacillation psychoanalytic” to “vac-
illation that psychoanalytic”
- p. 197, note 56, line 12: Change “i.e.” to “that is”
- p. 197, note 56, line 13: Change “1966, p. 849” to “, p. 720”
- p. 197, note 56, lines 14–16: Delete everything after “emphasis.”
- p. 198, note 4: change
“imperative.”

to
“imperative” (Seminar XX, p. 32).
- p. 198, note 6: Replace note with:
Écrits, pp. 726–45.
- p. 199, note 11: add at the end of the note:

Cf. Lacan’s comment, “The hysteric’s dis-
course is scientific discourse itself” (Seminar
XIX, December 2, 1971; not included in the
published French edition).
- p. 199, note 12: change p. 118 to p. 131.
- p. 199, note 12: change “one-less” to “One-missing”
- p. 199, note 5: change last sentence to read as follows:

Lacan uses the term “nonsaturated” in “Sci-
ence and Truth” (*Écrits*, p. 732), inspired, per-
haps, by Frege.
- p. 200, note 7: Replace note with the following:

See my collection *Against Understanding*,
vols. 1 and 2 (London: Routledge, 2014).
- p. 200, note 13: Replace note with the following:

See Seminar VIII, pp. 9–15.
- p. 201, first note 2: Replace note with the following:

“True teaching, that is, teaching that constantly

- subjects itself to what is known as renewal” (*Écrits*, p. 362).
- p. 204, note 1: change p. 193 to pp. 40 and 458.
- p. 207, lines 3–5: change whole entry to read as follows:
Écrits. Paris: Seuil, 1966. *Écrits: The First Complete Edition in English*. Translated by Bruce Fink in collaboration with Héloïse Fink and Russell Grigg. New York: Norton, 2006.
- p. 207, entry under Seminar V: change
“Unpublished.”
to
“Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 1998. *Formations of the Unconscious*. Translated by Russell Grigg. Cambridge: Polity, 2017.
- p. 207, entry under Seminar VI: replace everything after “Miller.” with the following:
Paris: La Martinière, 2013. *Desire and Its Interpretation*. Translated by Bruce Fink. Cambridge: Polity, 2019.
- p. 207, entry under Seminar VIII: replace everything after “1991.” with the following:
Transference. Translated by Bruce Fink. Cambridge: Polity, 2015.
- p. 207, entry under Seminar X: change
Unpublished.
to
Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 2004. *Anxiety*. Translated by Adrian Price. Cambridge: Polity, 2014.
- p. 207, entry under Seminar XIV: change
“Unpublished.”

	to
	“Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 2023.”
p. 207, entry under Seminar XV:	change
	“Unpublished.”
	to
	“Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 2024.”
p. 207, entry under Seminar XVII:	change
	“forthcoming.”
	to
	“2006.”
p. 208, entry under Seminar XVIII:	change
	Unpublished.
	to
	Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 2006. <i>On a Discourse That Might Not Be a Semblance</i> . Translated by Bruce Fink. Cambridge: Polity, 2024.
p. 208, entry under Seminar XIX:	change
	Unpublished.
	to
	Text established by Jacques-Alain Miller. Paris: Seuil, 2011.
p. 208, entry under Seminar XX:	replace everything after “1975.” with the following:
	Translated by Bruce Fink. New York: Norton, 1998.
p. 208, entry under Seminar XXIII:	replace everything after “Miller.” with the following:

- Paris: Seuil, 2005. *The Sinthome*. Translated by Adrian Price. Cambridge: Polity, 2018.
- p. 208: delete the following entries:
 “Logical Time . . .”
 “Metaphor of the Subject . . .”
 “Position of the . . .”
 “Science and . . .”
- p. 209, 3rd to last entry: change “Harvard University Press, 1996” to
 “Harvard University Press, 1997”
- p. 209, bottom of page: delete the following entries:
 “Logical Time . . .”
Modern-Day Hysteria . . .
- p. 210, after 4th entry: add the following entries under Bruce Fink:
Fundamentals of Psychoanalytic Technique: A Lacanian Approach for Practitioners. New York: Norton, 2007.
Against Understanding, vols. 1 and 2. London: Routledge, 2014.
Lacan on Love: An Exploration of Lacan’s Seminar VIII: Transference. Cambridge: Polity, 2016.
Miss-ing: Psychoanalysis 2.0. London: Aeon Books, 2024.
Lacan on Desire: Reading Seminar VI. London: Palgrave, 2025.
- p. 214, index entry “Flash, subject as”: add page 42

