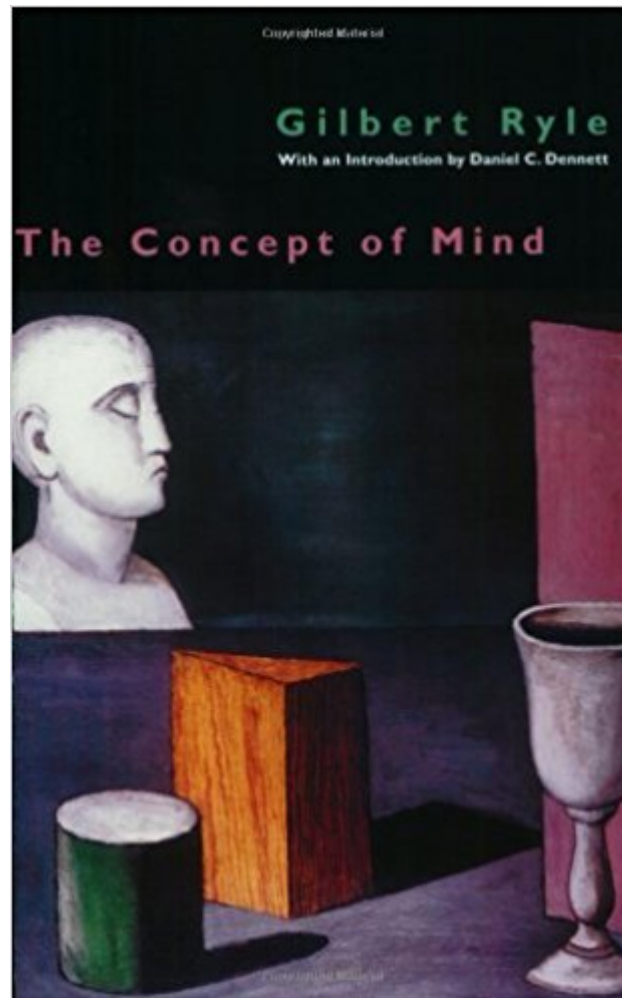




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Gilbert Ryle (1900-1976) was the Waynflete Professor of Metaphysical Philosophy at Oxford University from 1947-1971.

Excellent.

For anyone who felt even slightly uncomfortable while reading Descartes' meditations, but didn't

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