

*A MULTISITE CROSS-CULTURAL REPLICATION OF UPPER'S (1974)
UNSUCCESSFUL SELF-TREATMENT OF WRITER'S BLOCK*

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The consistency between the findings of this multisite cross-cultural replication by Didden, Sigafos, O'Reilly, Lancioni, and Sturme and those reported in Upper's now-classic paper on writer's block (Upper, 1974) are remarkable and serve to substantially extend the generality of Upper's findings. The consistency between the editorial opinion of the action editor, Linda LeBlanc, whose reviewer comments are enclosed verbatim parenthetically here () and this paper is equally remarkable. This kind of symmetry is rare in any science and particularly rare in behavior analysis, and

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because of it I was compelled to accept the Didden et al. paper without revision. I did not change one word, and this is a first in my tenure as editor. Another virtue of the paper is its awe-inspiring brevity. It is my hope that it will one day serve as the model for Brief Reports in *JABA*. I was reminded of a remark often attributed to Mark Twain, "I am sorry I wrote such a long letter, I did not have time to write a shorter one." In the spirit of that remark, I salute the authors for the time they took to prepare this lovely little paper. — Patrick C. Friman, Editor