

You may think the world is falling apart. Steven Pinker is here to tell you it isn't.

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If there's anyone who can put this moment into context, it's the Harvard psychology professor and polymath Steven Pinker. A cognitive scientist and linguist, Pinker focused his study of human nature on our propensity for violence — and conversely, cooperation — in his 2011 book, *The Better Angels of Our Nature*. In the book, Pinker meticulously documented a steady *decline* in violence over the last several centuries, which he writes, “may be the most significant and least appreciated development in the history of our species.”

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