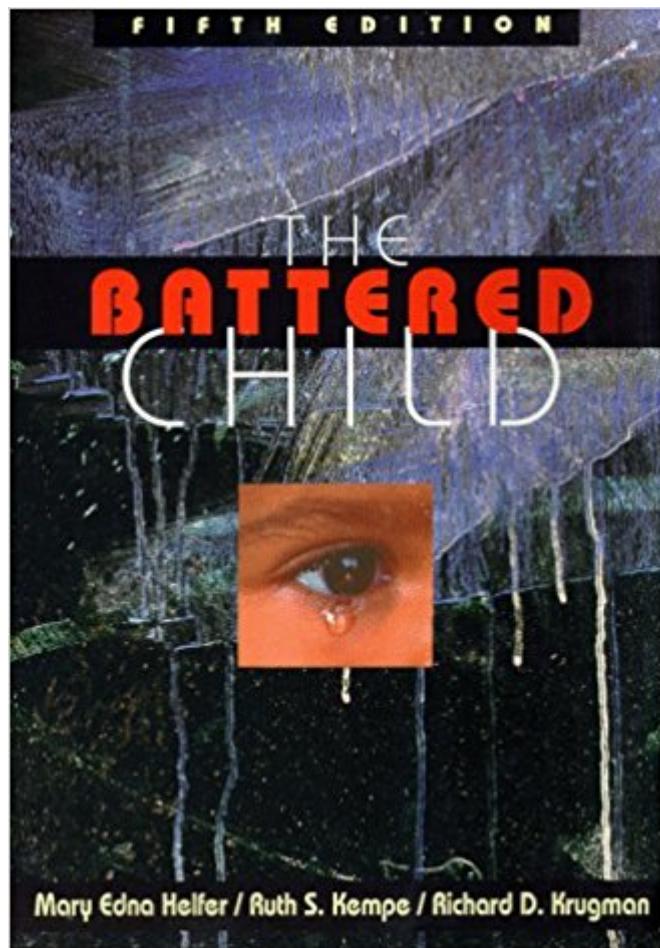


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# The Battered Child



## Synopsis

First published in 1968, *The Battered Child* quickly became a landmark work. Our awareness of child abuse today is due in no small part to the remarkable impact of its first and subsequent editions. The new edition of this classic text continues the legacy. While updating and significantly adding to previous editions, the fifth edition retains the multidisciplinary and comprehensive approach that initially set the work apart. This new edition contains chapters from professionals in such diverse fields as pediatrics, psychiatry, legal studies, and social work that reflect the past decade's extraordinary advances in research and techniques. Twenty of the book's 30 chapters are entirely new, while the remaining material has been extensively revised. Part I provides a historical overview of child abuse and neglect as well as background material on the cultural, psychiatric, social, economic, and legal contexts of child maltreatment. Part II discusses the processes of assessing cases of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse and neglect from the unique perspectives of all the professionals involved, including teachers, pediatricians, and social workers. Part III describes intervention and treatment, focusing on legal issues, investigative procedures, and therapeutic processes, while Part IV addresses prevention and policy issues. Previous editions of *The Battered Child* have earned the labels of "a classic" and a "Bible." With its up-to-date information, unequaled scope, and contributions from experts on every aspect of child abuse, the fifth edition of this cornerstone text is even more essential to the field than its predecessors. "Comprehensive and up-to-date." —David Cottrell, *British Journal of Psychiatry* "A valuable contribution to the field of abuse and neglect." —Prasanna Nair, *Journal of the American Medical Association*

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This book is a classic in its field and a forerunner in the subject matter. I wanted it in my library. More current research might make this book a bit out of date, but the writing is good and the principles still hold. What this book has that is a bit different are photos of abused children: the damage from autopsy photos and hospital records. Very sad and disturbing.

Good job keep up the good work. The book is in good shape to include the dust cover .Fred

This book is an excellent collection of information on child abuse, covering subjects from the history of child abuse to specific types of child abuse to rehabilitation to prevention, and much more. Although this edition is a bit outdated and thus lacks some of the more recent information and research, it's still highly relevant and in my opinion should be required reading not only for doctors, psychologists, and school teachers, but also for anyone who interacts with children, and indeed, the entire population.

Excellent textbook! Should be in every school, therapist office, hospital, clinic and child protection agency library. If I could only buy one, this would be it! This is an excellent companion book to *Body Language of the abused child*! Buy them both- you will not regret it!

"The Battered Child" presents a clear, strong overview of child abuse: its origins, its legal history, its effects on society and its impact on the child. I would definitely recommend it to anyone wanting to learn about the dynamics of abuse!

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