

BOOK REVIEWS

PLAY THERAPY WITH CHILDREN IN CRISIS: A CASEBOOK FOR PRACTITIONERS

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IN PLAY THERAPY WITH CHILDREN IN CRISIS: A CASEBOOK FOR PRACTITIONERS, MS. WEBB HAS COMPILED 20 CASE STUDIES OF CHILDREN FROM AGE 3 TO 11 WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED A CRISIS WHERE PLAY THERAPY TECHNIQUES WERE USED AS THE THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTION. THE CHILDREN IN THESE CASE STUDIES HAVE EXPERIENCED A WIDE RANGE OF TRAUMAS INCLUDING PARENTAL DEATH, DIVORCE, SUICIDE, CHEMICAL DEPENDENCE, SERIOUS ILLNESS, MULTIPLE FOSTER PLACEMENTS, SEXUAL ABUSE, AND DISASTERS SUCH AS EARTHQUAKE, HURRICANE, AND WAR. THE AUTHORS OF THE CASE STUDIES IN DR. WEBB'S BOOK REPRESENT A BROAD SCOPE OF CHILDREN, AGES, EVENTS, AND PLAY THERAPY TECHNIQUES. THEREFORE, THE APPROACHES DESCRIBED IN HER BOOK MAY BE USED BY MANY TYPES OF MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS INCLUDING PEDIATRIC NURSES, DISASTER WORKERS, TEACHERS, PASTORAL COUNSELORS, AND CHILD WELFARE WORKERS, IN ADDITION

TO THERAPISTS, SOCIAL WORKERS, AND PSYCHIATRISTS. THE SCOPE AND PRACTICALITY OF THIS BOOK MAKE IT A VALUABLE RESOURCE FOR ANYONE WORKING WITH CHILDREN IN CRISIS

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