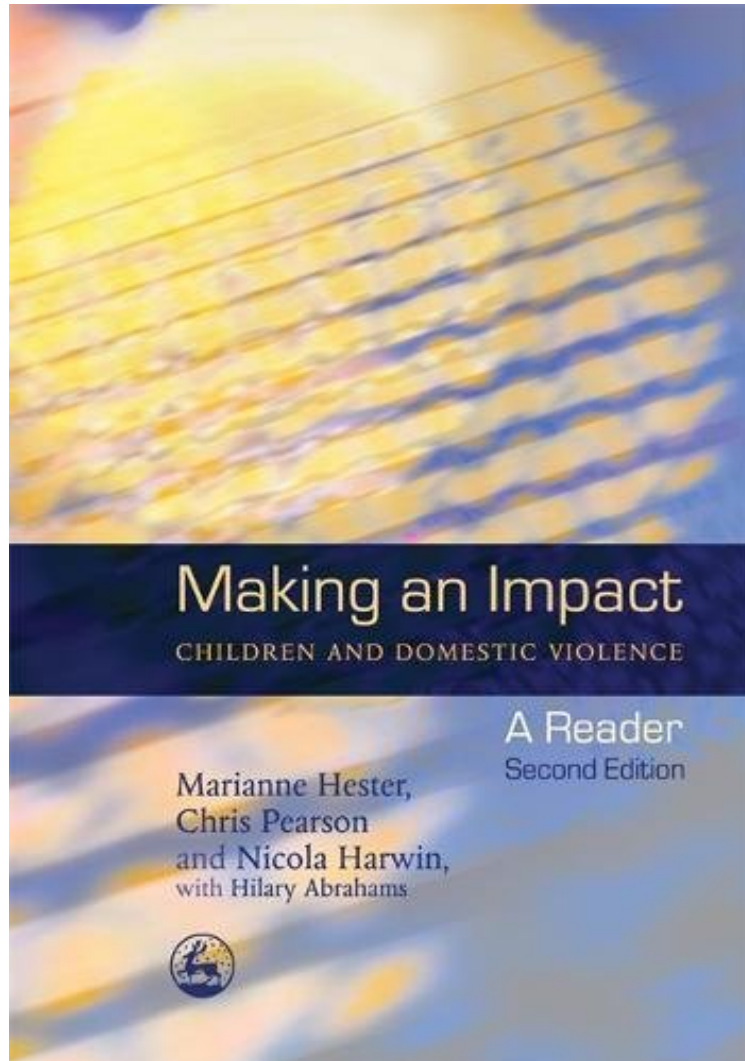


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6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Good Effort By R. G. Pickering I had no idea what this book was, except for the title since there was not even the publisher's comments, but this was a topic I very much wanted - and needed - information about. Once I received it, I discovered that it is a "Reader" - which, in actuality, reads like a Ph.D. dissertation, involving a great deal of research and many many documented sources about the affect on children of domestic violence, particularly in the UK. Because of all the referrals to other documents, this is not the easiest reading, but it did enlighten me a great deal and appeared objective because of its involving so many sources. I am

very anxious to try to read some of the books and articles referred to in the bibliography - if I can get them. The topics include, not only the affect on children, but also the way children are generally handled in this context, the laws relating to the children (in England), and the efforts toward treating the men. I did become much better educated after reading this book. The only reason it is not 5 stars to me is that it doesn't read as most books - but as a research paper - which is what it really is. That made it more tedious to me. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A recommended read for all professionals who support children affected by domestic violence. By Wendy CA knowledge and understanding of what domestic violence actually is, and the effect it has on those involved, is crucial for practitioners in order to work effectively with children and domestic violence. This Reader was originally commissioned in 1998 by the Department of Health and produced by a consortium consisting of the NSPCC, Barnardo's and the Domestic Violence Research Group at the University of Bristol in the United Kingdom. This second edition, newly published in 2007, provides an updated review of the research and legislation on domestic violence and the consequences for children. In their introduction the authors hope that the book will enable professionals working with families to develop informed and appropriately sophisticated responses that safeguard and promote the welfare of children living in circumstances of domestic violence. An impressive amount of information is presented, yet the layout of the book is extremely clear and easy to read with the 12 chapters are neatly organised around a three-part structure. Part One begins by outlining the research evidence for the links between domestic violence and the abuse of children. It highlights that domestic violence is an important indicator of risk of harm to children and assesses the effects on children's lives and future well-being. Statistical data from the British Crime Survey 2001 are also included. Part Two deals with the legal context, discussing protection against domestic violence under criminal, civil and housing law. Two useful tables are presented to summarise the advantages and disadvantages of using criminal law and civil law in cases of domestic violence. Part Three concludes by discussing practice interventions with children, women and male perpetrators of domestic violence. It argues that certain factors such as attention to safety and confidentiality and a non-judgemental approach are key components of effective support-giving. The benefits of multi-agency practice are emphasised. Each of the 12 chapters ends with a concise point-by-point summary, thus making it an easily accessible reference resource for the busy practitioner. An extensive bibliography and a useful subject index are also included. The authors are meticulous in defining their terminology and from the outset make a point of using the term "survivors of domestic violence" in preference to the word "victim", in order to avoid negative connotations of passivity and to convey a more positive approach. They note that children are not merely passive bystanders to the domestic violence occurring around them. They act and make choices, and many children develop a wide range of complex strategies of coping and survival. There is a possibility that some readers may have concerns with the fact that the main focus of this book is only relationships between men and women, and men are largely viewed as perpetrators and women on the receiving end of violence and abuse. The policy and legislation discussed generally pertains to England, and readers in other jurisdictions may feel somewhat left out; nevertheless, this is a recommended read for all professionals who wish to help and support children affected by domestic violence.

This fully updated Reader provides a comprehensive review of recent research and legislation relating to domestic violence and its consequences for children, and identifies the implications for practice. It is divided into three parts. Part One describes evidence for the links between domestic violence and the concomitant abuse of children and assesses the effects on children's future well-being. Part Two is a comprehensive and accessible guide to relevant current criminal and civil legislation. Highlighting the success of multi-agency approaches, the final part details practical issues for interventions with children and their carers, male perpetrators, and, new to this edition, women. Endorsed by children's charities including the NSPCC and Barnardo's, *Making an Impact* enables professionals working with children to develop informed, sophisticated and collaborative child care and protection responses for children who are experiencing domestic violence.

'...a valuable addition to the increasing literature on a persistent problem affecting everyone in the family. The authors have put together a resource for all those working with children and families... It offers much for those concerned to enhance inter-agency working and to find creative ways to safeguard women at risk and minimize the emotional damage caused to children witnessing domestic violence.' --- *Journal of Family Health Care* this is a highly recommended book and a must-have for all professionals who wish to help and support children affected by domestic violence. (*Child Care in Practice*) As a researcher with a specific interest in domestic violence and socially excluded and vulnerable children, and having spent the last six years evaluating policy and practice in both areas, I found this book to be an invaluable addition to my own bookshelf as it clearly links the two research areas. It also provides an excellent source of information on relevant legislation and literature, not to mention practice tips, and will be much thumbed in the years to come. (*Journal of Children's Services*) This second edition builds on the important work begun in the first. It incorporates an updated overview of key pieces of legislation, both civil and criminal, provides a comprehensive review of research findings and their implications for practice. The author's stated hope is to 'enable

professionals working with children and their families to develop informed and appropriately sophisticated responses that safeguard and promote the welfare of children living in circumstances of domestic violence.' Overall, this Reader offers a sophisticated analysis of the issues. It is informed and supported by a broad range of research findings and illustrated with well chosen case examples. The writing is engaging and accessible, and the structure helpful. Reader is an extremely useful resource for individual study and evidence-based practice. It is recommended to any student or practitioner in the legal, medical, teaching or caring professions working with children and their families. (Journal of Social Welfare Family Law) This is a book that is thorough and comprehensive in its coverage, identifies gaps in knowledge, points to possible future developments and keeps the needs of children paramount, without losing track of other perspectives on the topic of domestic violence. Overall, this is an excellent, accessibly presented resource for practitioners from all backgrounds. (Journal of Interprofessional Care) Praise for the second edition: 'This book provides an overview of how workers need to acknowledge and protect victims of domestic violence. It reflects on how professional bodies and the law are changing their approaches to focus on the experience of the child... Highlighted in detail are the processes by which professional bodies outline accountability. Domestic violence clearly devastates whole families and all agencies involved must be held accountable and ensure that children and women are not left at risk.' (Children and Young People Now) Praise for the first edition: 'It is clear from the first few pages that this book will, without doubt, be a vital resource for professionals and those whose work brings them into contact with children affected by domestic violence, whether they serve as social workers, professional agencies, refuges, churches, police workers, school workers - in fact, anyone who comes into contact with children during the course of their work would do well to read this excellent book.' (www.adoption-net.co.uk) This impressive summarative text is well-written, well structured, evidence based, focuses on the situation in the UK and is difficult to put down once you have started to read it. This achievement is more astonishing when you consider the tough messages it must convey to practitioners if they are to be equipped enough to intervene in these complex family situations... It is the most imaginative and potentially useful reader I have come across in the last ten years and is an excellent platform from which to build our responses. (Child: Care, Health and Development) The Reader is undoubtedly a valuable and informative resource for any professional or agency working within the field of domestic violence. It is suitable for individual study and provides underpinning knowledge to support training in this area. (Child Care in Practice) A few pages into this pack it was clear that here was a rich and timely resource for trainers who are working to achieve changes in the way all agencies respond to those experiencing, living with or perpetrating domestic violence. (Child Abuse) This is a very welcome book, which recognises the complex impact that domestic violence can have on children, and asks how relevant policy and practice might be improved. The material is presented well, the analysis is sophisticated, the language is user-friendly and jargon-free, and the reader can dip into the chapter without having to read it as a discrete unit... The book brings together material from a wide range of sources and has an excellent bibliography. (Health and Social Care in the Community) It is well-constructed, readable, easy to follow and has case studies and legal source material. (Family Law) A valuable addition to the increasing literature on a persistent problem affecting everyone in the family. The authors have put together a resource for all those working with children and families. It offers much for those concerned to enhance inter-agency working and to find creative ways to safeguard women at risk and minimize the emotional damage caused to children witnessing domestic violence. (Journal of Family Health Care) This publication comprises a set of training materials for front-line staff. It provides an overview of the burgeoning research and considers dilemmas that can confront practitioners in dealing with children exposed to violence in the home. One of the publication's merits is that these dilemmas are explored with close reference to carefully selected case studies and relevant legal provisions. (ChildRIGHT) This Reader will enable professionals working with children to develop informed, sophisticated and collaborative child care and protection responses for children who are experiencing domestic violence. (De Politie Officer) About the Author Marianne Hester is Professor of Gender, Violence and International Policy in the School for Policy Studies, University of Bristol, and part of the Violence Against Women Research Group. She has written extensively on children and domestic violence, and, with Lorraine Radford, co-authored *Mothering Through Domestic Violence*, also published by Jessica Kingsley Publishers. Chris Pearson is Co-ordinator of Exeter Women's Aid. 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