
With the first edition of The Hurried Child, David Elkind emerged as the voice of parenting reason, calling our attention to the crippling effects of hurrying our children through life. He showed that by blurring the boundaries of what is age appropriate, by expecting—or imposing—too much too soon, we force our kids to grow up too fast, to mimic adult sophistication while secretly yearning for innocence. In the more than two decades since this book first appeared, new generations of parents have inadvertently stepped up the assault on childhood through the media, in schools, and at home. In the third edition (2001), Elkind provided a detailed look at the Internet, classroom culture, school violence, movies, television, and a growing societal incivility to show parents and teachers where hurrying occurs and why. And as before, he offered parents and teachers insight, advice, and hope for encouraging healthy development while protecting the joy and freedom of childhood. In this 25th anniversary edition of the book, Elkind delivers important new commentary to put a quarter century of trends and change into perspective for parents today.


Teens often have questions about the law, but they do not know where to turn for answers: How long do I have to stay in school? Can my property be searched and seized? Are my grades public information? When can I have a beer? What if I'm discriminated against? Updated with new facts and resources, written in clear, everyday language, this book explores 95 legal questions that pertain specifically to teens. Readers learn about the laws that affect them, appreciate their rights, and consider their responsibilities. The book includes questions for reflection and discussion.


Every child is unique, yet there are certain common reactions to the stresses of divorce—anger, a sense of divided loyalties, last-
Neil Kalter explains that, for children, divorce is not a single event but is comprised of "a series of events that occur over many years." Identifying three stages of divorce, Kalter cites the particular struggles associated with each stage and explains how gender as well as cognitive, emotional, and social development also affect how children react. Dispensing sage advice on everything from understanding and minimizing the anxieties that underlie various troublesome behaviors to smoothing out your child's transitions between two households to incorporating a new spouse into your family, Kalter gives parents and the professionals who treat divorced families a guide to navigating the difficulties of divorce.


Psychodiagnostic Assessment of Children provides comprehensive guidelines for assessing and diagnosing a broad spectrum of childhood disorders. In this text, Randy Kamphaus (coauthor of the BASC and BASC-II) and Jonathan Campbell discuss both theoretical and practical aspects of the field. Their detailed coverage provides students and professionals with important research findings and practical tools for accurate assessment and informed diagnosis. The book begins by explaining dimensional (e.g., classification methods that emphasize quantitative assessment measures such as behavior rating scales) and categorical (e.g., classification methods that emphasize qualitative assessment measures such as clinical observation and history-taking) methods of assessment and diagnosis. It then highlights assessment interpretation issues related to psychological assessment and diagnosis. The remainder of the text covers constructs and core symptoms of interest, diagnostic standards, assessment methods, interpretations of findings, and case studies for all of the major childhood disorders, including mental retardation, learning disability, autism spectrum disorders, depression, anxiety disorders, traumatic brain injuries, eating disorders, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, conduct disorder, oppositional defiant disorder, substance abuse and dependence, and subsyndromal and hypersyndromal impairments.