

# Recommended Books Related to Domestic Violence

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## Children's Books

(appropriate age ranges vary – use caution)

**A Family that Fights** by Sharon Chesler Bernstein (J362.8292 BER)

Henry's parents fight often and his father sometimes hits his mother, causing Henry to feel frightened and ashamed. To be used by parents or professionals to help talk with children about how it feels to live with family violence. Includes a list of things children can do in situations of family violence.

**A Place for Starr** by Howard Schor & Mary Kilpatrick (362.8292 SCH)

Starr and her little brother Tyler hide under the bed when her father gets upset and becomes violent--until their mother takes them to a shelter.

**A Terrible Thing Happened** by Margaret M. Holmes, Sasha J. Mudlaff & Cary Pillo (illustrator) (362.8292 HOL)

After Sherman sees something terrible happen, he becomes anxious and then angry, but when a counselor helps him talk about these emotions he feels better.

**Squabbles** by Steven Cosgrove & Robin James (illustrator) (362.8292 COS)

The Squabbles, a raccoon family newly arrived in the Forest of Glade, shock the community when it is discovered that the father is beating his wife and son.

**What Jamie Saw** by Carolyn Coman (FICTION COMAN, C.)

Having fled to a family friend's hillside trailer after his mother's boyfriend tried to throw his baby sister against a wall, nine-year-old Jamie finds himself living an existence full of uncertainty and fear.

## For Adults - About Children & Domestic Violence

**Childhood Experiences of Domestic Violence** by Caroline McGee (362.767 MCG)

Examines children's experiences of a range of service provision in response to domestic violence, drawing on first-hand accounts of children and their mothers regarding their experiences in both domestic violence and support services.

**Children Who See Too Much** by Betsy McAlister Groves

Shows how children understand, respond to, and are affected by violence, especially domestic violence.

**Children's Perspectives on Domestic Violence** by Audrey Mullender, et al.

Drawing on research designed to hear the voices of children and young people, this important book examines children's experiences and perspectives on living with domestic violence.

**Coping with Family Violence** by Morton Kurland (362.82 KUR)

Easy to understand, true stories in various settings and situations depict child abuse and other kinds of violence between family members.

**Domestic Crimes, Family Violence and Child Abuse: A Study of Contemporary American Society** by Barri Flowers (362.8292 FLO)

The author examines both the roots and the consequences of domestic violence, and proposes possible solutions.

**Effective Intervention in Domestic Violence & Child Maltreatment Cases: Guidelines for Policy and Practice** by Susan Schechter & Jeffrey Edleson

Recommendations from the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Family Violence Department

**Everything You Need to Know about Family Violence** by Evan Stark (362.82 STA)

Covers understanding abuse; telling the difference between abuse and argument; stopping the violence; inside a violent home and where to go for help.

**Good Answers to Tough Questions: About Traumatic Experiences** by Joy Berry (155.418 BER)

Describes the nature of traumatic experiences, tells how to handle different types of trauma, and explains how to learn from them and grow

**Identifying and Responding to Domestic Violence: Consensus Recommendations for Child and Adolescent Health** by the Family Violence Prevention Fund

Contains an overview on IPV and health effects of IPV on adults, teens and children, Dilemmas faced by providers, consensus recommendation and preparing your child health practice.

**The Batterer as Parent** by Lundy Bancroft & Jay G. Silverman (362.8292 BAN)

Gives an understanding of the atmosphere that battering men create for the children who live with them. Shows how partner abuse affects each relationship in a family and explains how children's recovery is linked to the healing and empowerment of their mothers.

**When Dad Hurts Mom** by Lundy Bancroft (362.82923 BAN)

Guide to show readers how to help their children heal the wounds of witnessing abuse.

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