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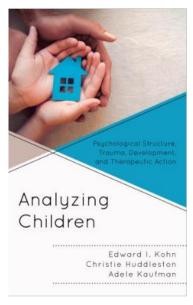
New Book

In June of 2019, the book, *Analyzing Children: Psychological Structure, Trauma, Development, and Therapeutic Action* written by me with coauthors Adele Kaufman and Christie Huddleston, was published by Rowman and Littlefield as part of the Vulnerable Child book series edited by Mary Davis and M. Hossein Etezady.

Two children whose minds have different psychological structures and who function at different developmental levels; one analyzed by Mrs. Kaufman, and the other analyzed by Dr. Huddleston; are presented and carefully studied. While their manifest behaviors and presenting symptoms appear similar, their minds function in ways that are quite different.

Comparison of these two young girls and their analyses enables us to illustrate and describe important mental phenomena and psychoanalytic concepts. These include psychic structure, the self, the similarities and differences between a mind that is vulnerable to fragmentation and one that is not, and the internal states associated with fragmentation and trauma. By looking into the differences (and similarities) in the ways each girl responds to







including the many manifestations of interpretation and insight, the role of the analyst as a developmental object, and the development of psychic structure. We demonstrate how similar manifest behavior and content have different latent meanings and sources for each child and further illustrate the transformations of fantasies, anxieties, preoccupations, and ego structures over the course of their analyses.

While the pillars upon which the structure of the book rests are the analyses of two young children, the ideas in this book are very relevant to adult analysis.



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