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**Comprehensive Textbook of Suicidology** Alan Lee Berman 2000-08-10 Multidisciplinary and comprehensive in scope, this volume serves as an authoritative overview of scientific knowledge

about suicide and its prevention, providing a foundation in theory, research, and clinical applications. Issues relevant to clinical case management are highlighted, and various treatment modalities are discussed in light of the

latest research findings.

**Public Health Reports** 1963

**Why Suicide?** Eustace Chesser 1968

Durkheim and the Study of Suicide Steve Taylor  
1982

**Suicide as a Learned Behavior** David Lester  
1987

**Adolescent Suicidal Behavior** David K. Curran  
2014-05-12 First published in 1987. Routledge is  
an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa  
company.

The Choice Marge Brantmeyer 2020-11-15 The  
bad news: suicide is a large and growing public  
health problem. Human beings are the only  
creatures in the natural world that can suffer  
from a hopelessness so deep that suicide seems  
like the only relief from the anguish. Human  
beings are also the only species that fall prey to  
chemical dependence and an associated  
downward spiral of mental health that can end  
in suicide. This book presents the stories of  
individuals struggling with terminal illness,

grief, alcoholism, prison, drug addiction,  
compulsive gambling, PTSD, depression, and  
abuse (including cyberbullying). All of these  
individuals find themselves at a decision point  
where they must choose to find a way to Survive  
or take their own life through Suicide. Almost  
everyone has fleeting thoughts of suicide at least  
once during their lifetime. Most people do not  
want to discuss their thoughts of suicide with  
anyone for fear of being negatively judged or  
labeled by others. The good news: the vast  
majority of people with suicidal thoughts can be  
treated with therapy and/or medication. This  
book is intended to be a reference guide with  
information about depression, alcoholism,  
addiction, and associated therapy avenues.

**Aristocratic Vice** Donna T. Andrew 2013-06-18  
div Aristocratic Vice examines the outrage  
against the four vices associated with the  
aristocracy in eighteenth-century  
England—duelling, suicide, adultery, and  
gambling—and the subsequent emergence of the

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*Contemplating Suicide* Gavin Fairbairn

2003-09-02 Suicide is devastating. It is an assault on our ideas of what living is about. In *Contemplating Suicide* Gavin Fairbairn takes a fresh look at suicidal self harm. His view is distinctive in not emphasising external facts: the presence or absence of a corpse, along with evidence that the person who has become a corpse, intended to do so. It emphasises the intentions that the person had in acting, rather than the consequences that follow from those actions. Much of the book is devoted to an attempt to construct a natural history of suicidal self harm and to examine some of the ethical issues that it raises. Fairbairn sets his philosophical reflections against a background of practical experience in the caring professions and uses a storytelling approach in offering a critique of the current language of self harm along with some new ways of thinking. Among other things he offers cogent reasons for

abandoning the mindless use of terms such as attempted suicide and parasuicide , and introduces a number of new terms including cosmic roulette , which he uses to describe a family of human acts in which people gamble with their lives. By elaborating a richer model of suicidal self harm than most philosophers and most practitioners of caring professions currently inhabit, Fairbairn has contributed to the development of understanding in this area. Among other things a richer model and vocabulary may reduce the likelihood that those who come into contact with suicidal self harm, will believe that familiarity with the physical facts of the matter - the actions of the suicider and the presence or absence of a corpse - is always sufficient to justify a definite conclusion about the nature of the self harming act.

**Women Overpowered by Compulsive Gambling** Rosemary A. Cunliffe North

2008-03-24 Gambling like any other addiction is overpowering, it can and will drive you to

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insanity. If you have not succumbed to insanity it just might cause you to consider committing a crime to obtain finances so you may continue with your addiction to gamble; thus leading you closer to the gates of prison or worse yet death. I came much to close to getting arrested for a felony like a few of my sisters. I have tried and failed at committing suicide on three different occasions. There are those brothers and sisters in the fellowship who have succeeded at suicide. You just might go so far as to embezzle funds from your employer. There are those sisters who have spent time incarcerated for their crimes, and yet others are still in prison. A quote taken from my Gamblers Anonymous handbook states: The persistence of this illusion is astonishing. Many pursue it into the gates of prison, insanity or death. My choice was life over death, sanity over insanity, and the thought of prison scares me. My life free from gambling, the love of God and family is far more important to me to ignore. After seven plus years of frenzied,

uncontrollable, insanity I have turned my life over to my Higher Power, my God, Jesus Christ. He has helped me through all my adversity, above all else He has restored my love for Him and family. Gambling is described as one of the most baffling and insidious addictions that can never be cured but it can most definitely be arrested through diligent, hard work in the Gamblers Anonymous Program. Two words in my vocabulary, baffling and insidious remind me what gambling will do to you. The word baffle in my dictionary is described as: frustrate, thwart, foil, and perplex. The meaning of the word insidious entralls me the most: ambush, sly, treacherous, seductive and the meaning that tears at my heart the most, is having a gradual and cumulative effect: subtle. As the snake slithers through the grass seeking its prey for food, so does gambler seek funds to feed their addiction to gamble. Unfortunately, the gamblers addiction is a slow subtle and treacherous deterioration unbeknownst

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especially to the gambler herself. Gambling will perplex you, it will frustrate you and above all it will thwart every emotion you possess. It will turn you into that slithering snake! You will become enthralled by anger, greed and hatred. You will destroy everything good in you. If you are suffering from a gambling addiction reach out for help through Gamblers Anonymous, grasp the program with all your might, and take it to heart for it may just save your life

*Bibliography on Suicide and Suicide Prevention, 1897-1957, 1958-1967* National Institutes of Health (U.S.) 1969

### **Talcott Parsons and the Social Image of Man (RLE Social Theory)**

Ken Menzies  
2014-08-21 This account of Talcott Parsons's work clarifies his basic concepts and sets out their correlation. Dr Menzies believes that the philosophy of science working within the confines of the analytic-synthetic distinction tends to provide a rigid, static and sterile account of theories. He presents a more dynamic

account of the scientific enterprise in order to come to grips with the amorphous nature of theory, and to provide the basic framework for his analysis of Parsons. Menzies argues that Parsons's central problematic in *The Structure of Social Action* is utilitarianism in general and the classical economists' account of the rise of capitalism in particular, and as such the book is not a reconciliation of positivistic and idealistic elements and these run throughout his subsequent work. Two major strands in Parsons's work - the social action theory and the systems theory (structural-functionalism) - are separated and examined individually.

**Nonsuicidal Self-Injury** E. David Klonsky  
2011-01-01 Nonsuicidal self-injury (NSSI) is a baffling, troubling, and hard to treat phenomenon that has increased markedly in recent years. Key issues in diagnosing and treating NSSI adequately include differentiating it from attempted suicide and other mental disorders, as well as understanding the

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motivations for self-injury and the context in which it occurs. This accessible and practical book provides therapists and students with a clear understanding of these key issues, as well as of suitable assessment techniques. It then goes on to delineate research-informed treatment approaches for NSSI, with an emphasis on functional assessment, emotion regulation, and problem solving, including motivational interviewing, interpersonal skills, CBT, DBT, behavioral management strategies, delay behaviors, exercise, family therapy, risk management, and medication, as well as how to successfully combine methods.

### **Risk Factors for Suicidal Behavior Among Bhutanese Refugees Resettled in the United States**

Jonah Meyerhoff 2019 Suicidal behavior and death by suicide are significant and pressing problems in the Bhutanese refugee community. Currently, Bhutanese refugees are dying by suicide at a rate nearly 2 times higher than the general United States population. Proper

identification of risk factors for suicide saves lives and prevents suicides (Mann et al., 2005); however, if suicide risk is underestimated due to culturally inflexible risk assessments, preventable deaths may continue to needlessly grow. In a community sample of Bhutanese refugees resettled in Vermont (N=60), the current study aims to (1) test elements of a comprehensive conceptual model of incremental risk factors for suicide -- adapted from the interpersonal psychological theory of suicide (IPTS; Joiner, 2005)-- including suicidal desire, suicidal ideation, thwarted belongingness, and perceived burdensomeness and (2) test the relative contributions of suicidal desire and suicidal ideation as risk factors for suicidal behavior. Participants attended a single study visit at which they completed self-report measures administered in an interview format via an interpreter, if needed. Key measures included the Beck Scale for suicidal ideation (BSS; Beck & Steer, 1991), Interpersonal Needs

Questionnaire (INQ; Van Orden et al., 2012), Wish to be Dead Scale (WDS; Lester, 2013), Refugee Health Screener -- 15 (RHS-15; Hollifield et al., 2013), Postmigration Living Difficulties checklist (PmLD; Laban et al., 2005), Brief Biosocial Gambling Screen (BBGS; Gebauer et al., 2010), basic demographics questions, and qualitative questions about suicide within the Bhutanese refugee community. The analytic approach relied on the use of hurdle models, Fisher's exact tests, hierarchical logistic regression, and independent samples t-tests to assess the relationships among aspects of our conceptual model. Although endorsement of suicidal ideation (n = 4, 6.7%) and suicidal behavior (n = 2, 3.3%; measured by combining the planning and concealment subscales of the BSS) was low in the sample, a substantial minority (n = 29, 48.3%) endorsed some desire to be dead. Perceived burdensomeness, but not thwarted belongingness, was significantly associated with

both suicidal ideation and the desire to be dead. There was no evidence that the desire for death contributed additional risk of suicidal behavior, above and beyond suicidal ideation. Of participants with a history of suicide attempts (n = 4), none reported any suicidal ideation and 3 reported some desire to be dead. Neither desire to be dead nor suicidal ideation was significantly related to suicide attempt history. These findings have implications for suicide detection and prevention among resettled Bhutanese refugees. The cultural responsiveness of suicide screening in this population could be improved by assessing two constructs not typically assessed: desire to be dead (e.g., the WDS) and perceived burdensomeness (e.g., INQ). Explicit evaluation of these two constructs in Bhutanese refugees may increase the sensitivity of risk assessments without sacrificing specificity in comparison to assessments exclusively focused on self-reported suicidal ideation.

Suicide Paul G. Quinnett 1992 This is a frank,  
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compassionate book written to those who contemplate suicide as a way out of their situations. The author issues an invitation to life, helping people accept the imperfections of their lives, and opening eyes to the possibilities of love.

*Children of Jonah* James T. Clemons 2001 A unique collection of deeply moving stories by survivors of suicide attempts who decided to choose life instead. With a foreword by singer-songwriter, Judy Collins, herself a survivor of a suicide attempt

*Suicide: the Gamble with Death* Gene Lester 1971

**Death at the Inn** R. Austin Freeman  
2017-09-18 John Gillum arrives in London from Australia apparently a wealthy man and then proceeds to cheerfully gamble his entire fortune away. During this period he cultivates the friendship of Mortimer, the bank official after meeting him at the scene of a murder near the bank. He mentions in conversation that he felt

suicide was a very understandable option to someone who had lost everything. When Gillum's body is found, the inquest duly returns a verdict of suicide and blackmail is suspected of being a contributory factor. However Gillum's cousin is so convinced that he would never have killed himself, he engages Thorndyke to try to find the blackmailers and bring all the issues to light...

**The Morals of Suicide** James Gurnhill 1900  
**Public Health Service Publication** 1969

National Library of Medicine Current Catalog  
National Library of Medicine (U.S.) 1971

**Living with Suicide** Eustace Chesser 1967  
Attempts to reconcile the instinct for self-preservation with the fact of suicide and death.  
*Tikopia Ritual and Belief (Routledge Revivals)*  
Raymond Firth 2012-11-12 First published in 1967, this book gives some of the fruits of the author's study of Tikopia ways of thought as the result of three field expeditions. Most Polynesians became Christians more than a century ago but Tikopia had a substantial pagan

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population until quite recent years. This book of essays describes rites and beliefs of a people who still maintained their traditional institutions remote from civilization. Studies of totemism, of magic and of beliefs in the fate of the soul in the afterworld, not only throw new light on Polynesian attitudes but also contribute some novel ideas to the interpretation of standard theoretical problems in social anthropology. Studies of rumour, suicide, and a new essay on spirit mediumship, also provide links between social anthropology and psychology. A general review based on the author's visit in 1966 describes the modern position after the adoption of Christianity.

**Three Dissertations, on the Pernicious Effects of Gaming, on Duelling, and on Suicide** Richard Hey 1812

*Taboo Topics* Norman L. Farberow 2017-07-05  
Why is it so hard to investigate taboo topics? A myriad of forces shape and fashion human action, reaction, thought, and feeling, and these

are not always well understood. Norman L. Farberow argues that culture itself provides structure for its members, developing in a well-defined way the rules to which they will conform. Such rules find expression not only in written laws and regulations but include, and most often stem from, unwritten folkways, customs, and especially taboos, the subject of this book. The researchers reporting in this volume take no position on the nature of a taboo itself, but concentrate on the difficulty in investigating taboos. As members of society and human beings, they do make judgments and personal investments. Thus, when taboos continue or develop without useful society-enriching functions or facilitate self-destructive activities, they raise questions about why they persist. Such topics include many areasome social, such as sex, death, and peace; others more academic, such as parapsychology, graphology, religion, and hypnosis. Peace and the public are included in the discussion because

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they are emotion-laden areas and powerful and important factors in a shrinking world and expanding universe. Peace, especially, has begun to be looked upon with suspicion perhaps a real commentary on our times. This probing collection will be sure to interest sociologists, anthropologists, and all other social scientists.

**The Neurobiological Basis of Suicide** Yogesh Dwivedi 2012-06-25 With recent studies using genetic, epigenetic, and other molecular and neurochemical approaches, a new era has begun in understanding pathophysiology of suicide. Emerging evidence suggests that neurobiological factors are not only critical in providing potential risk factors but also provide a promising approach to develop more effective treatment and prevention strategies. The Neurobiological Basis of Suicide discusses the most recent findings in suicide neurobiology. Psychological, psychosocial, and cultural factors are important in determining the risk factors for suicide; however, they offer weak prediction and

can be of little clinical use. Interestingly, cognitive characteristics are different among depressed suicidal and depressed nonsuicidal subjects, and could be involved in the development of suicidal behavior. The characterization of the neurobiological basis of suicide is in delineating the risk factors associated with suicide. The Neurobiological Basis of Suicide focuses on how and why these neurobiological factors are crucial in the pathogenic mechanisms of suicidal behavior and how these findings can be transformed into potential therapeutic applications.

**Devastating Losses** Carol E. Jordan, MS 2012-06-20 This book fills a critical gap in our scientific understanding of the grief response of parents who have lost a child to traumatic death and the psychotherapeutic strategies that best facilitate healing. It is based on the results of the largest study ever conducted of parents surviving a child's traumatic death or suicide. The book was conceived by William and Beverly

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Feigelman following their own devastating loss of a son, and written from the perspective of their experiences as both suicide-survivor support group participants and facilitators. It intertwines data, insight, and critical learning gathered from research with the voices of the 575 survivors who participated in the study. The text emphasizes the sociological underpinnings of survivors' grief and provides data that vividly documents their critical need for emotional support. It explains how bereavement difficulties can be exacerbated by stigmatization, and by the failure of significant others to provide expected support. Also explored in depth are the ways in which couples adapt to the traumatic loss of a child and how this can bring them closer or render their relationship irreparable. Findings suggest that with time and peer support affiliations, most traumatically bereaved parents ultimately demonstrate resilience and find meaningful new roles for themselves, helping the newly bereaved or engaging in other

humanitarian acts. Key Features: Offers researchers, clinicians, and parent-survivors current information on how parents adapt initially and over time after the traumatic loss of a child Presents data culled from the largest survey ever conducted (575 individuals) of parents surviving a child's suicide or other traumatic death Investigates the ways in which stigmatization complicates and prolongs the grieving process Addresses the tremendous value of support groups in the healing process Explores how married couples are affected by the traumatic loss of their child

**Adolescent Suicide** Robert W. Cole 1988  
Abstract: This Hot Topics Series publication presents readers with a variety of articles on the research and prevention programs dealing with suicide. The editor has included articles that will contribute to the youth professionals' understanding of the causes and symptoms of suicide. Specific topics addressed include: psychosocial and cognitive aspects of adolescent

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suicide; adolescents' attitudes toward suicide; responses to peers considering suicide; strategies; prevention; intervention of teen suicide; and clustering of teen suicides.

*Thinking about Suicide* David Lester 2004 The book of suicidal behaviour has been truly interdisciplinary. Scholarly papers on suicide have appeared in anthropological, biological, criminal justice, economic, law, literature, medical, nursing, pharmacological, philosophical, psychiatric, psychological, religious, social work, sociological and thanatological journals, as well as those devoted to specific topics such as drug addiction and gambling. Although this book do not 'explain' suicide, they may further our understanding of the behaviour by portraying it in all of its complexities. By examining the behaviour from different perspectives, people reading this book will be challenged to broaden their view and, thereby, devise new theories and research approaches for studying suicide. The goal of this

book, therefore, is to the reader, to think about suicide in ways not considered before.

### **Bibliography on Suicide and Suicide**

**Prevention, 1897-1957, 1958-1967** Norman L. Farberow 1969

Suicide Earl A. Grollman 1988-05-02 Provides information on suicide statistics and gives advice on how to recognize the warning signs of a potential suicide attempt, how to intervene when a suicide has been attempted, and how to comfort families and friends who have lost a loved one to suicide. This updated and expanded edition contains a discussion of euthanasia and living wills and a list of crisis centers around the United States. From the Trade Paperback edition.

### **THEORIES OF SUICIDE** John F. Gunn

2015-06-01 Some researchers in the field of suicidology think that the old theories of suicide are too constraining and impede advances in the understanding of suicide. However the book's authors are not quite so critical of past theories.

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In the book they review the classic theories of suicide, both psychological and sociological, because they are the foundation of our current theories and also propose the skeletons of possible future theories. The goal of the text is to present researchers with theories to guide their research, encourage them to modify these theories, perhaps meld them together in some cases, and think how they might propose new theories. Presented in three sections, the first reviews significant psychological theories including: Suicide as Escape; Interpersonal-Psychological theory; The Role of Defeat and Entrapment in Suicidal Behavior; Suicide, Ethology and Sociobiology; Stress-Diatheses; Cognitive Theories; Learning Perspective on Suicide; Theories of Personality and Suicide; Typological Theories; and the Pathophysiology of Suicide. The second section of the text addresses Sociological and Economic Theories including: Suicide as Deviance, Naroll's Thwarting Disorientation Theory, three classic sociological

theories as well as several minor theories. A comprehensive chapter on economic theories is offered by Bijou Yang. The final section concentrates on Critical Thoughts About Theories of Suicide, a new and growing influence in academia and scholarship.

**Anatomy Of Suicide** Vimal Chandra Pandey 2005-09 Suicide is the action of killing oneself intentionally. It is a multidimensional disorder, which results from a complex interaction of biological, genetic, psychological, sociological and environmental factors. For the last few decades it has become a serious health problem in our modern societies. Throughout the world, about 2000 people kill themselves each day. Suicide is among the top 10 causes of death in the 15 to 35 year age group. This book provides a comprehensive account of the state of current knowledge concerning incidence of suicide and attempted suicide. It describes the biological, genetics, psychological, and socio-logical factors related to suicidal behaviour. It also discusses

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assessment, treatment, and prevention. It will serve as a highly useful reference too for anyone, including physicians, nurses, social workers, counsellors, teachers, clergy and parents interested in learning more about suicide.

### **A Full Inquiry Into the Subject of Suicide**

Charles Moore (rector of Cuxton.) 1790

Making Sense of Suicide? 2020-04-14 A group of twenty scholars from different disciplinary and cultural backgrounds developed a series of dialogues and discussions on the notion, experience and representation of madness. This volume is the result of those discussions.

Light Beyond the Darkness Dore Deverell

2000-01-01 Doré Deverell's son Richard had led a difficult life, plagued by physical and mental illness and depression. When he committed suicide at the age of 36, Doré was naturally devastated, suffering the intense anguish of a mother's loss. But she was determined to seek for healing and reconciliation. Suicides, she

learnt, often experience great suffering and regret as a consequence of their premature death. But Doré was taught how to alleviate Richard's pain, and finally to metamorphose it. These practical steps are described here in an accessible way to aid anybody who finds themselves in a similar tragic situation

*Subtle Suicide* Michael A. Church 2009-07-23

This volume offers a description and analysis of subtle suicide—a psychological condition whose victims don't care if they live or die, and thus act in self-defeating, self-damaging ways. Over their extensive careers, psychotherapists Michael Church and Charles Brooks have developed the concept of "subtle suicide," a development of risky behavior where the subject does not care if he/she lives or dies. Now, in this urgent and informative new work, Church and Brooks present their findings on a condition that is often misdiagnosed as a symptom of addictive or mood disorders, when in fact subtle suicide the real underlying problem. Based on thousands of

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hours of sessions with real clients and filled with dramatic case studies, *Subtle Suicide: Our Silent Epidemic of Ambivalence about Living* will help professionals, families, and friends to realize when someone may be suffering from subtle suicide. The authors also provide a number of strategies for helping those exhibiting subtle suicidal behavior, including how to react to specific types of comments and how to avoid being pulled into the sufferer's emotional whirlpool.

*Man Against Him Self* Karl A. Menninger  
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OF LIVING Preface IT IS nothing new that the world is full o hate, that men destroy one another, and that our civilization has arisen from the ashes of despoiled peoples and decimated natural resources. But to relate this destructiveness, this evidence of a spiritual malignancy within us, to an instinct, and to correlate this instinct with the beneficent and fruitful instinct associated with love, this was one of the later flowers of the genius of Freud. We have come to see that just as the child must learn to love wisely, so he must learn to hate expeditiously, to turn destructive tendencies away from himself toward enemies that actually threaten him rather than toward the friendly and the defenseless, the more usual victims of destructive energy. It js true, nevertheless, that in the end each man kills himself in his own selecte3 way, nEasf or slow, soon or late. We all feel this, vaguely j there are solMany occasions to witness it before our eyes. The methods are legion and it is these which attract our attention.

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Some of them interest surgeons, some of them interest lawyers and priests, some of them interest heart specialists, some of them interest sociologists. All of them must interest the man who sees the personality as a totality and medicine as the healing of the nations. I believe that our best defense against self-destructiveness lies in the courageous application of intelligence to human phenomenology. If such is our nature, it were better that we knew it and knew it in all its protean manifestations. To see all forms of self destruction from the standpoint of their dominant principles would seem to be logical progress toward self-preservation and toward a unified view of medical science. This book is an attempt to synthesize and to carry forward, in that direction, the work begun by Ferenczi, Groddeck, Jelliffe, White, Alexander, Simmel, and others who have consistently applied these principles to the understanding of human sickness and all those failures and capitulations that we propose to

regard as variant forms of suicide. No one is more aware than I of the unevenness of the evidence to follow and of the speculative nature of some of the theory, but in this I beg the indulgence of the reader to whom I submit that to have a theory, even a false one, is better than to attribute events to pure chance. Chance explanations leave us in the dark. A theory will lead to confirmation or rejection. K. A. M. Acknowledgments I am indebted to many people for help in the recording and exposition of the views in this book. I am indebted for an early reading of the manuscript and for valuable suggestions resulting therefrom to my colleague and former teacher, Dr. Franz Alexander of the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, to Dr. Franklin C. McLean of the University of Chicago, to Dr. J. F. Brown of the University of Kansas also research associate in psychology at our Clinic and to Nelson Antrim Crawford of Topeka, editor of The Household Magazine. In a more general way, I am indebted also to my colleagues

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of the Menninger Clinic with all of whom I have discussed the ideas herein expressed and some of whom read the manuscript in its first draft. From the late Dr. William A. White we received in 1933 a grant of 2,500 for some special studies of suicidally inclined persons, a gift on behalf of an anonymous donor. These studies formed a part of the clinical basis for the general theory of suicide elaborated in Part II of this book...

**The Many Faces of Suicide** Norman L. Farberow 1980

*Frequently Asked Questions About Suicide*

Sandra Giddens 2008-08-15 Offers information on the subject of suicide, and addresses such areas as risk factors, depression, and where to go for help.

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