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The book is fundamental reading in criminology, women’s and gender studies, and other disciplines interested in feminist work on violence, gendered violence in particular. This resource is essential for teachers in these fields and its interdisciplinary nature enables us to not only deconstruct disciplinary boundaries but also facilitates the asking of important questions about violence, victimhood and perpetration. I will recommend this book to all of my students and colleagues engaged in critical psychological work on violence and gender.’

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