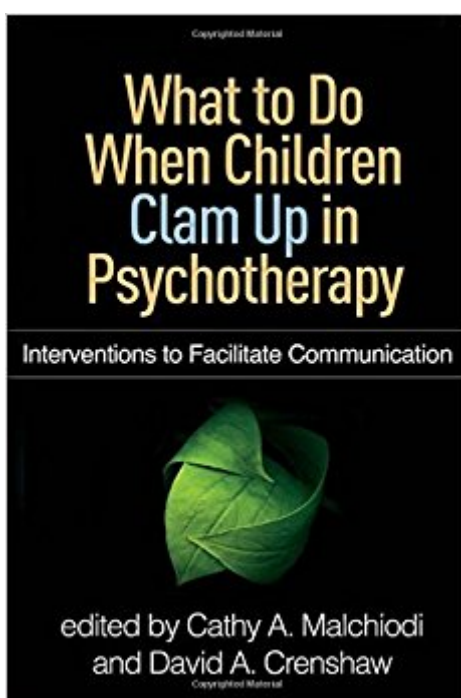


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What To Do When Children Clam Up In Psychotherapy: Interventions To Facilitate Communication (Creative Arts And Play Therapy)



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Therapists who work with children and adolescents are frequently faced with nonresponsive, reticent, or completely nonverbal clients. This volume brings together expert clinicians who explore why 4- to 16-year-olds may have difficulty talking and provide creative ways to facilitate communication. A variety of play, art, movement, and animal-assisted therapies, as well as trauma-focused therapy with adolescents, are illustrated with vivid clinical material. Contributors give particular attention to the neurobiological effects of trauma, how they manifest in the body when children "clam up," and how to help children self-regulate and feel safe. Most chapters conclude with succinct lists of recommended practices for engaging hard-to-reach children that therapists can immediately try out in their own work.

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An excellent resource for mental health practitioners who provide therapy/counseling to children and teens. I especially like the emphasis on the importance of the therapeutic relationship, and the variety of creative ways to facilitate open communication including play, art, and animal assisted therapy. I also like the Recommended Practices at the end of each chapter. Highly recommended.

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