# RECOMMENDED READING

This list does not pretend to be complete but does hope to suggest the best literature currently available.

FIRST PERSON SINGULAR, Stephen M. Johnson, Ph.D. (1977). Yes, it's old, but it's still good.

**LIFE LESSONS: 50 THINGS I LEARNED FROM MY DIVORCE**, Beth Joselow (1994). Wise & practical advice, succinctly stated, directed to women but applies to anyone.

**DIVORCE & NEW BEGINNINGS**, Genevieve Clapp, Ph.D. (1992). Detailed & practical guide from beginning to end of the separation/divorce process, including the latest research, emotional reactions, building a new single life, parenting & stepfamilies.

**ANSWERS: A DIVORCE/SEPARATION SURVIVAL HANDBOOK**, Divorce Support Services, Inc. (1991). *Emphasis on the legal aspects*, plus parenting & remarriage.

SCENES FROM A DIVORCE, Neil Paylor & Barry Head (1983). For friends & relatives.

CRAZY TIME, Abigail Trafford (1982). Based on personal experience & interviews.

HOW TO BREAK YOUR ADDICTION TO A PERSON, Howard M. Halpern, Ph.D. (1982). When & why love doesn't work.

**REBUILDING WHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP ENDS**, Bruce Fisher (1981). Stages of recovery for you <u>& your children--another must-read!</u>

LIVING ALONE & LIKING IT, Lynn Shahan (1981). Practical advice for taking care of yourself.

THE DIVORCED WOMAN'S HANDBOOK, Jane Wilkie (1980). Name changes, credit, insurance & more.

SINGLE AFTER 50, Adeline McConnell & Beverly Anderson (1978). Life is not over!

**LIVING & LOVING AFTER DIVORCE**, Catherine Napolitane & Victoria Pellegrino (1977). Directed to women; also by Ms. Pellegrino & Helen De Rosis, **THE BOOK OF HOPE** (1976), about depression.

GROWING THROUGH DIVORCE, Jim Smoke (1976). From a Christian perspective.

HOW TO SURVIVE THE LOSS OF A LOVE, Melba Colgrove, Ph.D., Harold Bloomfield, M.D., & Peter McWilliams (1976). A short book to cry with.

MARITAL SEPARATION, Robert Weiss (1975). Excellent overview of all you can expect to experience, with many quotes from others who've been there; also GOING IT ALONE (1979).

#### **LEGAL**

HOW TO GET A DIVORCE, Richard Granat (1994). Practical handbook for DC, MD & VA residents; includes sample forms. THE DIVORCE HANDBOOK, James T. Friedman (1982). Concise, expert answers to 225 questions.

CONSULTATION WITH A DIVORCE LAWYER, Bernard E. Clair & Anthony R. Daniele (1982). Detailed guide to settlement & prospective post-divorce problems.

HOW TO WIN CUSTODY, Louis Kiefer, J.D. (1982). Tips on building & negotiating your case.

HOW TO HANDLE YOUR DIVORCE, Harold Mitnick (1981). Step-by-step advice, settling vs. fighting.

THE CUSTODY HANDBOOK, Persia Woolley (1979). Comprehensive survey plus worksheets.

### PERSONAL GROWTH

IRON JOHN, Robert Bly (1990). What it means to be a man.

HOMECOMING, John Bradshaw (1990). Reclaiming & championing your inner child; also CREATING LOVE (1992).

**THE NEW PEOPLEMAKING**, Virginia Satir (1988). Revision of the 1972 classic which examines the family from a therapist's perspective; includes numerous exercises & an understanding of single parent & blended families.

**NECESSARY LOSSES**, Judith Viorst (1986). The loves, illusions, dependencies & impossible expectations that all of us must give up in order to grow.

WOMEN WHO LOVE TOO MUCH, Robin Norwood (1985). How childhood patterns of relating lead to unhealthy, addictive relationships in adulthood; includes specific program for recovery.

ANGER, Carol Tavris (1982). New concepts about how it affects our lives.

WHEN BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE, Harold S. Kushner (1981). Sometimes there is no reason.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF ROMANTIC LOVE, Nathaniel Branden (1980). Why it grows & why it dies.

THE ROAD LESS TRAVELED, M. Scott Peck, M.D. (1978). A must-read!

WHOEVER SAID LIFE IS FAIR?, Sara Kay Cohen (1977). Guide to growing through life's injustices.

IF YOU MEET THE BUDDHA ON THE ROAD, KILL HIM!, Sheldon B. Kopp (1972). Another must-read!

## **RELATIONSHIPS**

**NEGOTIATING LOVE**, Riki Robbins Jones, Ph.D. (1995). Essential communication skills for men & women to resolve their differences.

MEN ARE FROM MARS, WOMEN ARE FROM VENUS, John Gray, Ph.D. (1992). How to counteract differences in communication styles, emotional needs & modes of behavior.

KEEPING THE LOVE YOU FIND, Harville Hendrix, Ph.D. (1992). Break past patterns, & learn to achieve lasting love.

**GREAT CONNECTIONS: SMALL TALK & NETWORKING FOR BUSINESSPEOPLE**, Anne Baber & Lynn Waymon (1991). Use these techniques in <u>any</u> social situation.

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### **RELATIONSHIPS** (cont'd)

YOU JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND: WOMEN & MEN IN CONVERSATION, Deborah Tannen, Ph.D. (1990). Understanding differences in communication styles can improve our relationships.

**THE DANCE OF INTIMACY**, Harriet Goldhor Lerner, Ph.D. (1989). Woman's guide to courageous acts of change in key relationships; also **THE DANCE OF ANGER** (1985).

A FINE ROMANCE, Judith Sills (1987). The stages of courtship, from meeting to marriage.

**SMART WOMEN/FOOLISH CHOICES**, Dr. Connell Cowan & Dr. Melvyn Kinder (1985). How to find the right men & avoid the wrong ones.

**DO I HAVE TO GIVE UP ME TO BE LOVED BY YOU?**, Jordan Paul, Ph.D. & Margaret Paul, Ph.D. (1983). Working through conflict to bring intimacy instead of emotional distance.

**MAKING PEACE WITH YOUR PARENTS**, Harold Bloomfield, M.D. & Leonard Felder, Ph.D. (1983). Coming to terms with your most fundamental relationship can enrich all others.

THE INNER MALE, Herb Goldberg (1987). Overcoming roadblocks to intimacy; also THE NEW MALE FEMALE RELATIONSHIP (1983), THE NEW MALE (1979) and THE HAZARDS OF BEING MALE (1976).

INTIMATE STRANGERS, Lillian B. Rubin (1983). Men & women & intimacy.

**STRAIGHT TALK**, Sherod Miller, Ph.D., Daniel Wackman, Ph.D., Elam Nunnally, Ph.D. & Carol Saline (1981). Getcloserto others by saying what you really mean.

**GAMES DIVORCED PEOPLE PLAY**, Dr. Melvyn A. Berke & Joanne B. Grant (1981). Common struggles with our exes, kids, new friends & lovers.

BRIEF ENCOUNTERS, Emily Coleman & Betty Edwards (1980). Quality-with or without forever.

THE DANCE-AWAY LOVER, Daniel Goldstine, Katherine Larner, Shirley Zuckerman & Hilary Goldstine (1977). Roles we play in love, sex & marriage.

**LEARNING TO LOVE AGAIN**, Mel Krantzler (1977). Guidelines toward a new, creative commitment after divorce; also **CREATIVE DIVORCE** (1973).

CONTACT: THE FIRST FOUR MINUTES, Leonard Zunin, M.D. (1972). Make first impressions work.

**PAIRING**, Dr. George R. Bach & Ronald M. Deutsch (1970). A process for achieving genuine intimacy; also by Dr. Bach, **CREATIVE AGGRESSION** (1974) and **THE INTIMATE ENEMY** (1968).

### **PARENTING**

THE DIVORCED PARENT, Stephanie Marston (1994). Success strategies for raising well-adjusted children in a divorced family. VICKI LANSKY'S DIVORCE BOOK FOR PARENTS, Vicki Lansky (1989). Comprehensive & practical guide for helping your children cope with divorce & its aftermath.

MY KIDS DON'T LIVE WITH ME ANYMORE, Doreen Virtue (1988). For noncustodial moms and dads.

GROWING UP DIVORCED, Linda Bird Francke (1983). Help your child, from infancy through teens.

**DIVORCE WITHOUT VICTIMS**, Stuart Berger, M.D. (1983). More help on easing children's pain.

MOM & DAD ARE DIVORCED, BUT I'M NOT, Hal W. Anderson & Gail S. Anderson (1981). Includes chapters on long-distance & part-time parenting.

101 WAYS TO BE A LONG-DISTANCE SUPER-DAD, George Newman (1981). The title says it all.

MOM'S HOUSE, DAD'S HOUSE, Isolina Ricci (1980). Excellent guide on shared custody.

JOINT CUSTODY & CO-PARENTING, Miriam Galper (1980). A source book for sharing equally.

SINGLE PARENTS ARE PEOPLE, TOO, Carol Vejvoda Murdock (1980). Male, female, custodial or not.

**SINGLE FATHER'S HANDBOOK**, Richard H. Gatley, Ph.D. & David Koulack, Ph.D. (1979). For men who are separated from their children

WHAT ABOUT THE CHILDREN?, Francine Spilke (1979). Telling the children, deciding custody & working out new family relationships, including step-parenting.

FOR DIVORCED FATHERS ONLY, Stuart Kahan (1978). Coping emotionally, legally & financially.

### FOR CHILDREN

WHEN DIVORCE HITS HOME. Beth Joselow & Thea Joselow (1996). For teens.

DINOSAURS DIVORCE: A GUIDE FOR CHANGING FAMILIES, Laurene K. Brown & Marc Brown (1988). Ages 3+.

HOW IT FEELS WHEN PARENTS DIVORCE, Jill Krementz (1984). Nineteen boys & girls, aged 7-16, share their feelings.

MEGAN'S BOOK OF DIVORCE, Erica Jong (1984). A kid's picture book for adults.

HOW TO LIVE WITH A SINGLE PARENT, Sara Gilbert (1982). For young adults & parents.

THE KIDS' BOOK OF DIVORCE, The Unit at Fayerweather Street School (1981). Ages 11-14.

MY PARENTS ARE DIVORCED, TOO, Bonnie Robson, M.D. (1979). For teens.

THE FAMILY THAT CHANGED, Francine Spilke (1979). For pre-school; also WHAT ABOUT ME?, for ages 9-15.

DIVORCE IS A GROWN-UP PROBLEM, Janet Sinberg (1978). Picture book, with bibliography.

TWO HOMES TO LIVE IN, Barbara Shook Hazen (1978). Ages 4-8.

TALKING ABOUT DIVORCE & SEPARATION: A DIALOGUE BETWEEN PARENT & CHILD, Earl A. Grollman (1975). Simple & straightforward words to use when telling & talking to your children.