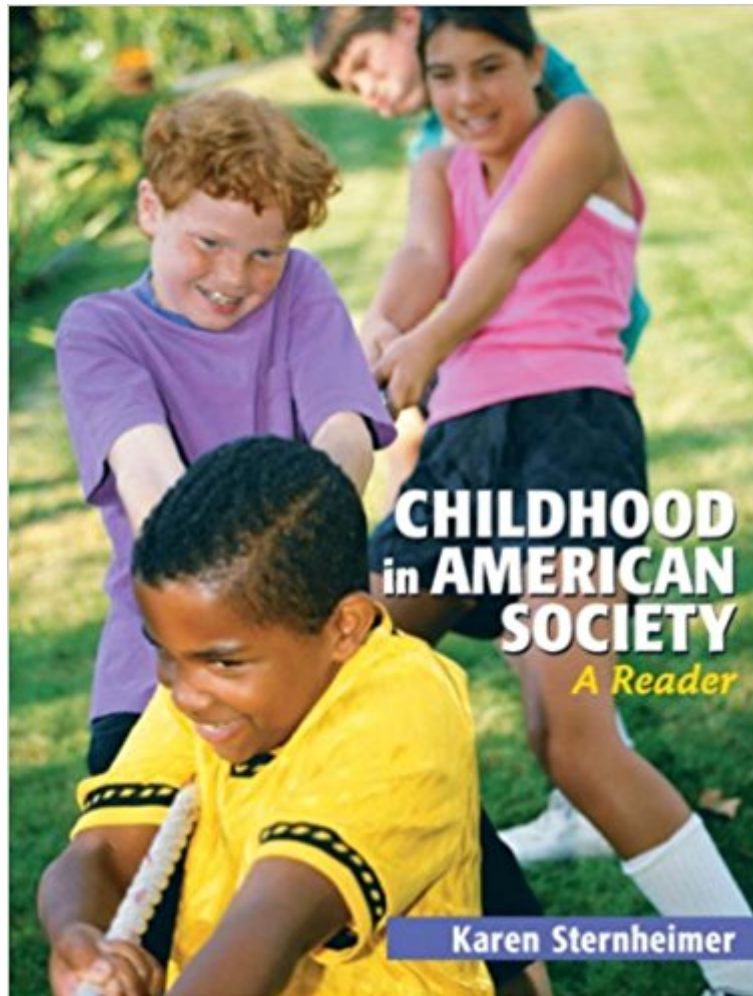




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# Childhood In American Society: A Reader



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Prout and James, Fine, and Adlers) and also includes a variety of new authors who are moving that work forward in exciting ways.Â Â Third, the organization is sound.Â Â It provides both historical and contemporary contexts and theoretical and methodological frameworks; then it covers children's diversity and ends with some key issues.Â• Dr. Sue Marie Wright, Eastern Washington University

This anthologyÂ Â from scholarly literature about childrenÂ Â explores the waysÂ Â society makes meaning of the period called childhood, the social forces that shape children, and the strategies children use toÂ Â influence each other, their families, and the larger adult world. The thirty four readings in *Childhood in American Society* examine how definitions of "normal" and "ideal" childhood change across place and time, and vary with differences of race, class, and gender. They challenge traditional development and socialization approaches to studying childhood, andÂ Â provide many examples based on ethnographies with children. Â Â Karen Sternheimer is a member of the Sociology Department at the University of Southern California. She is also the author of *Kids These Days: Facts and Fictions About Today's Youth* (Rowman & Littlefield) and *It's not the Media: The Truth About Pop Culture's Influence on Children* (Westview Press).

This was required in my sociology class. The reading was very dry although there were some enlightening articles. I will not go back to it as a resource.

This is the book I needed for class.

The book is very eye opening and different from most childhood books. I highly recommend reading it to get a different perspective of what childhood is and how it affects children in American culture.

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