

Prologue

Netherworld

“Netherworld—my term for a culture of toxic, often predatory, parenting—has always existed. Usually, it existed behind closed doors and is an example of deception characterized by severely *dysfunctional family milieus*. This type of parenting produces children who become deceptive themselves when out in public. They may become violent human predators—what society calls serial killers—and what forensic psychologists label sexual psychopaths. Camouflaged by societal persona *calculated for deception*, sexual psychopaths are prowlers intent upon *rapacious behavior*—stalking live prey for sexual thrills. As an end result, few, if any, safe neighborhoods exist today as they restlessly troll upscale neighbors as well as lonely communities along dirt roads. Where can children run and play with innocent abandonment? Without parental vigil, can such a *utopia* (meaning—*no place*) exist?

Roaming freely in society, killing a string of strangers sequentially, serial killers have made citizens uptight and almost panicky. For good reason: they target children and young women. Yet, they move through society hidden in plain sight. *They don't appear to be what they really are.*

Toxic parenting aside, netherworld has created a class of desensitized citizens. An increasing number of individuals (many of them parents) in the age group most populated by serial killers (early twenties to almost forty years of age), put their heads in the sand and choose to ignore the reality that not all parents are competent, and nurturing caregivers.

Sexual psychopaths stalk and kill young girls and women, often in multiple states across America before capture. They stalk children in department stores waiting to see if adult chaperons look elsewhere, even for a few seconds. They watch checkout lines for a quick steal and rapid exit through sliding doors to an accomplice waiting at curbside with the motor running.

Sexually psychopathic serial killers never stop. They have to be found and extracted from society like a bad tooth.

Psychology of Deception: Analysis of Sexually Psychopathic Serial Crime is an academic text with *POD Readings*—a collection of brilliant essays by top students showing the diversity of interdisciplinary topics available in modern forensic psychology with insight into the crimes of society's most elusive predators. In a section called *Predator Profiles*, selected serial killers and their crimes are presented and analyzed.

Netherworld, toxic family milieus where children are conditioned *to be fearful of parents*, has become a permanent social milieu that can no longer be ignored. We must address what makes some families so dysfunctional. In the meantime, we must become more vigilant if we want our children to survive and thrive. The reality of toxic, netherworld parenting may move society into

futuristic legal benchmarks such as *granting of a parental license to have children*. Are parents mentally healthy enough to raise children? Do they have enough financial resources to support them? Legally, we cannot drive a car without a license. Perhaps in the near future we may not be able to have children without one either.

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