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Spanked: How Hitting Our Children is Harming Ourselves is a historical and cultural analysis of the long accepted practice of hitting children for learning and obedience. The book invites an exploration of who we are as parents, and as a society, and what family leadership really means. Book group questions for families, professionals, and organizations lend the book useful for conversation and dialogue in libraries, living rooms, offices, and classrooms. Erickson gives readers an open platform to discuss respectfully what we are really communicating when we spank children.

Features

- Provides a history of spanking, including the transition from instruments to the hand
- Reviews relevant research over the last 100 years on spanking outcomes
- Identifies the social and cultural supports of spanking including legal standing
- Includes thought provoking prompts on what it means to be a parent

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