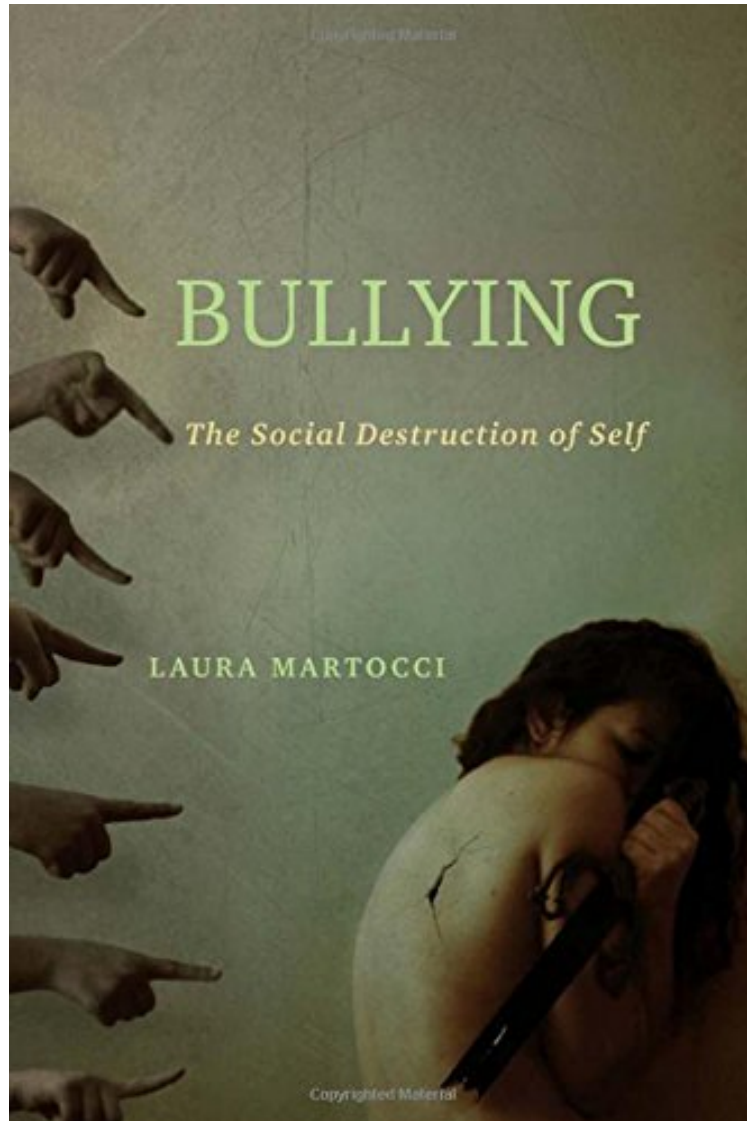


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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. "Bullying: The Social Destruction of Self" Addresses Social Issues That Can Not Be IgnoredBy Hey Viv IncI've read Dr Martocci's blog on Psychology Today and have wanted to read up on her work and learn more about her viewpoint on the subject of bullying. I'm especially interested in learning about the cultural history and root causes of bullying and how perceptions have changed over time. "Bullying: The

"Social Destruction of Self" addresses and breaks down the social forces behind this problem and I look forward to learning about how the power/shame/guilt issues can be addressed.

In her forceful social history, *Bullying*, Laura Martocci explores the bully culture that has claimed national attention since the late 1990s. Moving beyond the identification of aggressive behaviors to an analysis of how and why we have arrived at a culture that thrives on humiliation, she critiques the social forces that gave rise to, and help maintain, bullying. Martocci's analysis of gossip, laughter, stereotyping, and competition dynamics that foment bullying and prompt responses of shame, violence, and depression is positioned within a larger social narrative: the means by which we negotiate damaged social bonds and the role that bystanders play in the possibility of atonement, forgiveness, and redemption. Martocci's fresh perspective on bullying positions shame as pivotal. She urges us to acknowledge the pain and confusion caused by social disgrace; to understand its social, psychological, and neurological nature; and to address it through narratives of loss, grief, and redemption cultural supports that are already in place.

A very useful and up-to-date discussion of the social-emotional origins of bullying. Thomas Scheff, Professor Emeritus, University of California, Santa Barbara