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## **Defining Women** - Rosemary Pringle

1992-04-08

Defining Women is a major in-depth analysis of the social, economic and political position of women in contemporary societies. It explores the ways in which social institutions, practices and discourse define women and their position in present-day societies. The book examines the essential debates about the social construction of gender divisions in and by the key institutions of the labour market and the state. Focussing on notions of power, dependence and equality, it addresses questions of the differences between women and men, and between women themselves, in the economy and civil society. Women's political struggles to challenge their

subordinate position are also assessed. The recognition of the diverse interests of women currently poses a real challenge to the central project of feminism, but Defining Women confidently argues for its future. This book will be widely used as a text book in feminism and women's studies and will have a broad interdisciplinary appeal.

*Organizing Women* - Dawn Chatty 2020-08-20  
With the creation of the modern nation-state in the Middle East and North Africa, women have been and continue to be manipulated to represent a cultural ideal of perfect womanhood. This is often greatly at odds with the realities of women's lives and aspirations. However, individual women, through careful manipulation

of gender relations, often succeed in casting aside the culturally accepted bonds which diminish their lives. Even so, women in groups are deemed unacceptable unless they conform to state mandates. In many countries in the Middle East, women are only legally permitted to form groups which are charitable organizations concerned with the welfare of the disabled or the handicapped. Clearly women in groups are perceived as a threat by the state. This challenging book examines the nature of the relationship between both women and the state and men and the state. It presents a balanced mix of theoretical and empirical research which analyzes both the formal and informal ways in which women have organized themselves, and been organized, in Arab society.

*Women in Muslim Rural Society* - Joseph Ginat  
2017-07-05

This study reassesses several accepted truths about Arab village society. It shows first that one cannot speak about the position of women in

general, because there is a great difference among women depending on the structure of their households and relationships. Women whose work contributes to the family's income, who have been able to acquire property, who exert control over their sons, and who have the quickness of mind to exploit suitable opportunities, often have their way in the economic and political affairs of their households and beyond. Ginat's analysis of marriage patterns dispels the common notion that men customarily seek the hand of their father's brother's daughter, and that this type of marriage illustrates a principle of endogamy in Arab village society. After carefully examining the numerous reasons for each marriage, he concludes that a combination of material and political considerations of the families involved, and not stated norms, determines the choice of spouses. The author clarifies the notion of honor, which hitherto has been used to explain so many things in Arab society. In Arab societies a man's

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honor often seems to depend on the reputation of his women. Now it appears that his honor is gauged not by the actual sexual comportment of women for whom he is morally responsible, but by public attitudes towards that sexuality.

Ginat's analysis adds to our understanding of some central themes in Arab society. He provides valuable and complete information about aspects of family life that have rarely been covered in such detail.

Regional Directory of Women's Groups - Ines Jemrić 2003

Directory includes basic information on 570 women's groups from Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Kosova, Macedonia, Moldova, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro and Slovakia

Post-Soviet Civil Society - Anders Uhlin  
2006-03-20

The development of civil society has varied greatly across the former Soviet Union. The Baltic states have achieved a high level of

integration with the West and European Union membership, while some regions in Russia lag far behind. Now for the first time there is a comparative study of civil society and democratization across post-Soviet national borders. Acknowledging the enormous variation throughout the region, the book offers unique data on developments in Russia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Applying an innovative analytical framework derived from theories of democratization, civil society, social movements and transnational relations, the researchers have formulated broader comparisons and generalisations without neglecting the specific post-Soviet context. The book provides a systematic comparison across sectors as well as nations, and includes chapters on NGOs, the state and conflict, and transnationalisation. Quantitative survey data is combined with qualitative interviews and case study research to both confirm previous findings about the weakness of post-communist civil society and to

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qualify previous research.

Defining Females - Shirley Ardener 1978

To what are we referring when we speak of women? What is the nature of women in society; what is the nature of women in society? These are the central questions of this classic text which looks at areas ranging from England and Greece to Mongolia and Africa. The authors - anthropologists, sociologists, ethnologists, neurologists and psychologists - consider the structural position of women; how they are defined by reference to physiological and social markers, and how they are required to behave. They also consider ways in which different cultures identify and deal with such natural aspects of women as virginity, sexuality and childbearing. The broad variety of geographical perspectives reveals dissimilar as well as similar ideas about women - in their use of language and of space, matrifocality, and life trajectories.

**Women's Organizations for Peace** - Sophia Papastavrou 2020-08-19

This book examines the work of three key women's organizations working towards women's rights and a peaceful solution to the Cyprus Problem. Based on a 13-year longitudinal qualitative study that develops a transnational feminist lens to look at the role of Hands Across the Divide (HAD), the Gender Advisory Team (GAT), and the Mediterranean Institute of Gender Studies (MIGS) organizations in women's activism on Cyprus, the research zooms in on three main questions: 1) How have women's groups organized for peace? 2) What have been their key issues and organizing strategies? 3) What have been their organizing successes and challenges?

Islam, Democracy and the Status of Women - Helen M. Rizzo 2017-09-25

This book examines the relationship between religion, democracy, and women's organizations in Kuwait. More specifically, it looks at whether these organizations are working toward achieving formal political rights for women.

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Helen Rizzo examines how interpretations of religion affected the goals and activities of the organizations in terms of women's empowerment and if the organizations were pushing the democratization process. Much of the recent literature on the relationship between Islam, democracy, and women's rights has been negative and pessimistic. Instead, this book examines the complicated relationship between these three things, arguing that some women in Kuwait are using Islam in their discourse to justify women's right to equality and public participation, thus countering the arguments that see Islam, democracy, and women's rights as inherently and culturally incompatible.

*Directory for Reaching Minority and Women's Groups* - United States. Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training 1979

*The Qur'an, Women, and Modern Society* - Asgharali Engineer 2005  
Reinterprets divine injunctions from the Quran

and traditional practices in Islam in light of the fundamental Islamic values of justice and equality on women's status. This work presents sociopolitical values and medieval social ethos as the origins of repressive practices, discussing controversial issues such as polygamy, and family planning.

**One Action at a Time** - Kamloops Women's Resource Group Society 2013

**Women in English Society, 1500-1800** - Mary Prior 2005-09-30

Provides a systematic analysis of various aspects of women's lives between 1500 and 1800, concentrating on detailed research into specific groups of women where it has been possible to build up a picture in some detail.

*Menopause* - Dr. Louise Newson 2019-09-24

This new Concise Manual takes a straightforward look at menopause. What is it? When does it occur? What can be expected? How can it be managed? Dr Louise Newson is a well-

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known specialist in menopause and saw the need for a fact-based manual for women and their families. Menopause is a natural condition that affects all women at some stage of their life. At least one in four women have severe symptoms, which detrimentally affect their family, home and work life. This book will explain and clarify the stages and symptoms, and detail what treatments are safe and effective for particular needs. Migraines, depression, anxiety, osteoporosis, low libido, relationships, diet and HRT are just some of the areas covered in this new concise manual.

Engendering Hong Kong Society - Fanny M. Cheung 1997

This book provides a scholarly overview of women's status in Hong Kong from a gender perspective. The contributors are associated with the Gender Research Programme at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The chapters offer substantive analyses on the indicators of women's status, including education, work,

division of domestic labour, gender roles, women's movement, and public policies affecting women. The historical-cultural context of women's status and the cross-cultural relevance of women's studies are also examined. This book embraces both longitudinal as well as cross-sectional perspectives, and includes both quantitative and qualitative materials. It is not only a scholarly document on Chinese women in Hong Kong, but also a statement marking their changing status. Readers interested in women's issues, gender studies, and Chinese studies will find this book a useful reference.

*Negotiating Development in Muslim Societies* - Gudrun Lachenmann 2008-05-29

*Negotiating Development in Muslim Societies* explores the negotiation processes of global development concepts such as poverty alleviation, human rights, and gender equality. It focuses on three countries which that are undergoing different Islamisation processes: Senegal, Sudan, and Malaysia. While much has

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been written about the hegemonic production and discursive struggle of development concepts globally, this book analyzes the negotiation of these development concepts locally and translocally. Lachenmann and Dannecker present empirically grounded research to show that, although women are instrumentalized in different ways for the formation of an Islamic identity of a nation or group, they are at the same time important actors and agents in the processes of negotiating the meaning of development, restructuring of the public sphere, and transforming the societal gender order. *The War* - Fabian Society (Great Britain). Fabian Women's Group 1915

**Violence Against Women in Asian Societies** - Linda Rae Bennett 2013-09-13

Violence against women is a violation of women's human rights and a priority public health issue. It is endemic worldwide. While much has been written about it in industrialized

societies, there has been relatively little attention given to such violence in Asian societies. This book addresses the structural and interpersonal violences to which women are subject, both under conditions of conflict and disruption, and where civil society is relatively ordered. It explores sexual violence and coercion, domestic violence, and violence within the broader community and the state, avoiding sensationalised accounts of so-called cultural' practices in favour of nuanced explorations of violences as experienced in Cambodia, Thailand, Burma, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Bangladesh, and India.

[The Political Economy of Violence against Women](#) - Jacqui True 2012-08-28

Violence against women is a major problem in all countries, affecting women in every socio-economic group and at every life stage. Nowhere in the world do women share equal social and economic rights with men or the same access as men to productive resources. Economic

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globalization and development are creating new challenges for women's rights as well as some new opportunities for advancing women's economic independence and gender equality. Yet, when women have access to productive resources and they enjoy social and economic rights they are less vulnerable to violence across all societies. The Political Economy of Violence against Women develops a feminist political economy approach to identify the linkages between different forms of violence against women and macro structural processes in strategic local and global sites - from the household to the transnational level. In doing so, it seeks to account for the globally increasing scale and brutality of violence against women. These sites include economic restructuring and men's reaction to the loss of secure employment, the abusive exploitation associated with the transnational migration of women workers, the growth of a sex trade around the creation of free trade zones, the spike in violence against women

in financial liberalization and crises, the scourge of sexual violence in armed conflict and post-crisis peacebuilding or reconstruction efforts and the deleterious gendered impacts of natural disasters. Examples are drawn from South Africa, Kenya, the Democratic Republic of Congo, China, Ciudad Juarez in Mexico, the Pacific Islands, Argentina, Eastern Europe, Central Asia, Haiti, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, New Zealand, Ireland, the United Kingdom, the United States and Iceland.

Contemporary Women's Movements in Hungary  
- Katalin Fábíán 2009-10-14

As the first and only book in any language on contemporary women's movements in Hungary, this groundbreaking study focuses on the role of women's activism in a society where women are not yet adequately represented by established parties and political institutions. Drawing on eyewitness accounts of meetings and protests, as well as first-person interviews with leading female activists, Katalin Fábíán examines the

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interactions between women's groups in Hungary and studies the unique brand of democracy they have forged in postcommunist Eastern Europe. Through her analysis, she demonstrates how democratization and globalization—with their attendant range of challenges and opportunities—have led women to redefine public-private divides.

**Youth Working with Girls and Women in Community Settings** - Janet Batsleer

2017-03-02

This fully revised and expanded edition of Janet Batsleer's (1996) *Working with Girls and Young Women in Community Settings* provides a significantly updated text, incorporating new research, which will serve practitioners and academics well into the twenty-first century. Youth work with girls and young women has taken inspiration from feminisms and THE women's movement, focussing on the strength and potential of girls as beings in their own right, rather than as carriers of social problems.

Autonomous community-based projects of can affirm young women's lives and creativity and seek to challenge oppression. Addressing the significant shifts in the social, political and professional context for informal education, this book makes clear the continuities in community-based informal education with girls and argues for its continuing importance. The impact of neo-liberal approaches to empowerment is highlighted throughout. Drawing together historical, theoretical and practice-based work, including case studies from a range of projects, Batsleer offers an analysis of the significant issues that will affect practice in the future and the significance of feminist inspired informal education rooted in specific community contexts. These include: The impact of violence, coercion and resistance, across a range of practices Female sexuality as a contested space The impact of poverty and the creation of networks of care and mutual support Difference and cross-cultural work, including inter-faith work and

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practice which challenges racism. This is an important source book for youth workers, social workers, and others involved in education outside of school as well as researchers in the practice and politics of youth work. It is an essential reference tool for researchers, as well

as for both lecturers and students involved in the education and continuing professional development of youth and community workers and for those who wish to keep alive a radical alternative

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