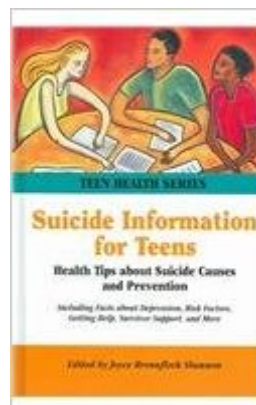




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In an attempt to cover all of the bases, the editor of this text has erred on the side of too much information. Each chapter is taken from another source, mostly Web sites and government publications. For example, in a section titled Basic Information About Suicide, Shannon cites iEmily.com; a text published by the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry; TeensHealth.org; and the National Institute of Mental Health, among others. The material is often redundant, with facts being repeated over and over in each of the seven chapters. The various statistics quoted by different sources also create confusion. Is suicide the 8th leading cause of death in the U.S. or the 11th? Most sections are easy to read and cut right to the heart of the matter. While teens would certainly be able to get to the information they want, the length of the book is daunting. John Esherick's *The Silent Cry* (Mason Crest, 2005) does a better job of making the information personal through the use of real-life vignettes, while Shannon keeps it on the factual level. However, readers will need to check the sources carefully to determine which statistics to believe.
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