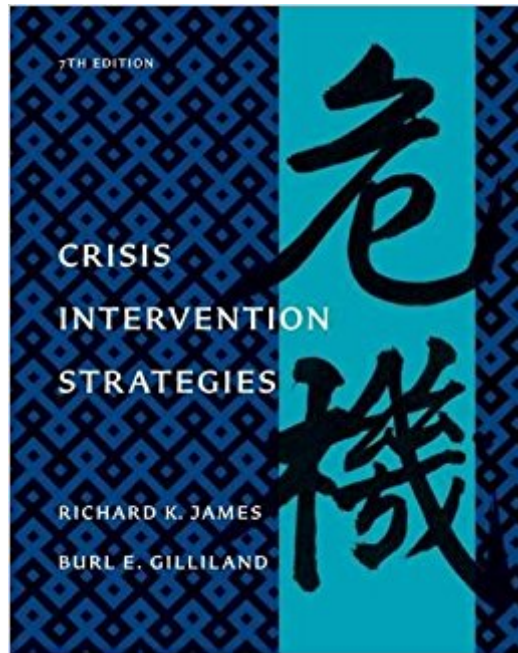


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# Crisis Intervention Strategies, 7th Edition



## Synopsis

This authoritative, best-selling text presents the latest skills and techniques for handling real crisis situations. The authors' six-step model clearly illustrates and elucidates the process of dealing with people in crisis: Defining the Problem, Ensuring Client Safety, Providing Support, Examining Alternatives, Making Plans, and Obtaining Commitment. Using this model, the authors then build specific strategies for handling a myriad of different crisis situations, accompanied in many cases with the dialogue that a practitioner might use when working with the individual in crisis.

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I purchased this book for my Crisis Intervention class in my Master's counseling program. At first I was a bit skeptical that this book was going to be good because the author went on some rambles which I felt were very unnecessary for the book (although his rambles did add a bit of humor). However, I am glad I continued to read this book because it has some very solid tools to use in pretty much every crisis situation you can think of. I am the type of person who likes concrete tools and felt that this text book provided that. It is extremely well written with lots of credible research to back up what the authors provide as interventions. This book covers topics such as PTSD, Sexual Assault, Suicide, Domestic Violence, School Crisis, Institutional Crisis and also Crisis theories and a bunch of other basic information. I would HIGHLY recommend this book because every clinician is going to come into contact with clients in crisis.

I took a crisis counseling class with one of the contributors, so I had to buy this book. Unlike most textbooks that I have been forced to buy from the author, I found this one very useful. I am a recent Master Social Work graduate, and have been trained in psychology and counseling. Crisis counseling has different rules, and I highly recommend this book and this subject. Every therapist is going to run into a client in crisis at some point, and this can help. But this book focuses on counseling in crisis situations, such as natural disasters (Katrina and 9/11 were used as examples several times), and sudden death (of friend or family, not your client). Even the loss of a pet can be a crisis for some clients. This book is not a complete therapy manual. You should already have education or experience in counseling or therapy prior to taking this class (or reading the book), but it does tell how the techniques already learned either should, or should not, be used in this case. I am not a fan of step-by-step models. Although you will read some of that here, it also tells you that you may not see all steps in the process, so it is pretty honest in that way. One issue is the Kindle version is not well formatted. It is still easy to read, but, if you take notes/copy & paste, you will find formatting problems. Overall, excellent addition to a clinician's library (or student's).

Considering how many text books a college student has to read, this one stood out after the semester was finished. Well designed so it can remain a useful reference. Most of the chapters were clear and concise - not only how to handle the various crises, but also when it might be advisable for a new crisis worker to hand off the case to someone more experienced. The two or three chapters that weren't quite as concise were expanded for a reason that became clear very quickly. Even these chapters remained clear and easy to navigate (though if you just want to reference the crisis information you may want to book mark the pages, rather than try to flip through to find them.)

First of all, I want to be clear that I think the book itself is awesome, and if you're lucky enough to have this as assigned reading for a class, I think it's a great textbook. I can't be 100% sure because I didn't investigate it beyond a page or two, but if you Google search this book, I think you can find it for free online in its entirety. But, if you have to have a copy (I'm one of those people) please think long and hard before you get the Kindle version of this book. I had surgery on my right wrist (and happen to be right handed) and it is painful for me to write notes. One of the reasons I made the switch to Kindle textbooks was because I could highlight my notes, and then go into the Kindle app on my laptop, copy and paste the notes onto a Word document, and print my notes without the pain (and a lot of time) of having to hand-write all my notes. However, this book is formatted so poorly that I think it almost takes more time to do this than it would to just hand write my notes. Copying and pasting should be simple. But the book is formatted into two columns per page, so when you paste, it doesn't format properly, and you have to spend a lot of extra time formatting the notes correctly. So far I have purchased or rented 7 Kindle textbooks, and this one has been the worst one by far. If you have the extra money, either rent a hard copy or buy one because unless you plan to only read the book and not do any copying and pasting of your notes, it is quite a hassle. Good luck!

Interesting book! I bought this book for my Intervention college course and worked great for the class! Great shipping!

I wish I could afford to buy this book because there is SOOO much information that I want to review. Instead, I rented it which works out for me financially. This book makes crisis intervention strategies easy to understand and provides real-life examples. Awesome!

I thought this text was VERY well written and packed with important, relevant, current and

well-presented information. The one I got was loose-leaf, and though I prefer a bound textbook, it fit perfectly into a 2-inch 3-ring binder and held up throughout my 8-week course on Crisis Intervention. It was very user-friendly and written in a personable tone of voice without a lot of unnecessary technobabble. Very straight forward and concise. It will make an excellent reference tool for any counselor.

Im in my Master of Counseling Program with Walden University and was happy to find this book for an affordable price and in good condition with no wear.

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