Autobiographical account of a mother, recently divorced from her clergyman husband, who discovers that her son is homosexual. The book records her struggle towards acceptance, which was also a journey in self-discovery.

Compassionate and practical advice by two women active in the national organization Parents of Gays.

Reports of real-life experience of parents, disclosing a sequence of emotional stages—from the initial shock of the revelation that their offspring is gay, through anger and denial, to acceptance and often beyond. If this process is traversed to its logical completion, family relationships will be transformed and deepened.

Advice and information to assist parents in becoming comfortable with their child’s homosexuality.

Sensitive autobiographical account of an English gay man’s relationship with his working-class mother.

A gay New York psychiatrist (not himself a parent) offers explanations and seeks to clear away myths.

Although this book is written from a Christian religious point of view, it remains sympathetic.

A somewhat dated book, offering psychiatrically biased etiological theories and focusing on "the means of prevention." Rearing children in a "sexually sound" home is the most effective prophylaxis.
Items 3932-3938 are omitted.
XIX. BOUNDARY CROSSING

A. INTERGENERATIONAL SEX

The term intergenerational sex has been recently introduced to describe relations between adults, on the one hand, and (a) adolescents and (b) children, on the other. Properly speaking, these two forms should be distinguished as pederasty and pedophilia, respectively, but current usage is often imprecise, owing to the emotional charge such relations often evoke. (Logically, the concept of intergenerational sex should also include gerontophilia, sexual interest in old people, but this form of attraction has been little studied; cf. "Aging," XIV.C.) In some civilizations of the past, such as ancient Greece and Islam (see III.C and III.F), pederasty has been the ideal, dominant, even socially recognized form of homosexuality. This pederastic mode also prevails in many tribal cultures (see IV.A-F). Recently, support groups for pederasts and pedophiles, such as the North American Man/Boy Love Association and the (British) Paedophile Information Exchange, have emerged in a number of Western countries; these groups remain small and controversial, isolated from the larger movement, and often subjected to official surveillance and harassment.


The authors hold that it is extremely difficult for a child to give informed consent. The adult who is attracted to children changes his inner world by developing cognitions and beliefs that support his behavior, but these are markedly at variance with those of the culture in which he lives.


One of a series of "soft-core" popularizations of the boy love theme, in this instance closely dependent on the scholarly work of J. Z. Eglinton, cited below. See also: Victor Dodson, Pederasty: Sex between Men and Boys (North Hollywood, CA: Barclay House, 1968; 192 pp.).


Concise version of a book first published in Dutch in 1975, then in a fuller form in German in 1979 and 1982. Includes long-term effects on the child; description of a
pedophile group; age limits; normality of pedophiles; and the social question. On pp. 87–98 there is a complete bibliography of his writings on pedophilia and pederasty between 1947 and 1985. Some of the early ones (e.g., Vervolgende minderheid, 1960) appeared under the pseudonym Victor Servatius.

3942. BLEIBTREU-EHRENBERG, GISELA. "Der pädophile Impuls, Der Monat, N.S. no. 294 (1985), 175–92. Places pedophilia within the range of normality as an attempt to reactivate the world of childhood. Treatment of pedophiles as criminals reflects a lingering theologicaal concept.


3944. BRONGERSMA, EDWARD. "The Meaning of 'Indecency' with Respect to Moral Offences Involving Children. With a Commentary by D. J. West," British Journal of Criminology, 20 (1980), 20–34. With reference to Dutch experience, which he has carefully monitored, Brongersma contends that criminal prosecution of consensual acts always does more harm than good. See also his: "Aggression against Pedophiles," International Journal of Law and Psychiatry, 7 (1984), 79–87. The author has also used the pseudonym O. Brunoz.


3948. CAMERON, PAUL. "Homosexual Molestation of Children/Sexual Interaction of Teacher and Pupil," Psychological Reports, 57 (1985), 1227–36. The author, an antihomosexual researcher, claims that
one-third of reported child molestations involve homosexual acts, while girls account for about two-thirds of children victimized. Contrast D. Newton, below.

3949. CAMPAIGN AGAINST PUBLIC MORALS. Paedophilia and Public Morals. London: CAMP, 1980. 58 pp. Argues that the liberation of children and pedophiles should be supported by the adult sexual political movement.


3955. EGLINTON, J. Z. (pseud.). Greek Love. New York: Oliver Layton Press, 1964. 504 pp. Comprehensive historical study of pederasty and pedophilia, emphasizing not only the origins of the Western tradition in Greece but the subsequent development, which is presented as flowing from Hellenic practices and ideals—in sharp contrast with modern androphile homosexuality. Despite the sometimes overapologetic tone, this book is a remarkable and well-documented conspectus, providing analyses of many literary works.

3956. ENNEW, JUDITH. The Sexual Exploitation of Chil-
Examines recent cross-cultural evidence, and argues that
the sexual exploitation of children by adults is not an
abnormal occurrence, but rather an overdeveloped expres-
sion of normal attitudes to sexuality, women, and chil-
dren.

3957. FISHER, GARY, and LEISLA M. HOWELL. "Psychological
Needs of Homosexual Pedophiliacs." Diseases of the
Finds that subjects had need structures similar to those
of heterosexual pedophiles but different from those of
normal adult males; were low in achievement orientation,
inner direction, and assertiveness; and were guilt-ridden.

3958. FRASER, MORRIS. The Death of Narcissus. London:
Urbane, moderately judgmental study of pedophilia--mainly
heterosexual--as expressed in 19th-century literary
sources, by a psychiatrist.

3959. FREUND, KURT. "Bisexuality in Homosexual Pedophil-
The author, a Czech who emigrated to Canada in 1968, found
that bisexual pedophilic males responded more than an
androphile (adult-oriented homosexual) group to 6-8 year
old female children, but less than them to adult females.
See also his "Erotic Preference in Pedophilia," Behaviour

3960. FREUND, KURT, et al. "Pedophilia and Heterosexual-
ity vs. Homosexuality," Journal of Sex and Marital
therapy, 10 (1984), 193-200.
Finds that the development of erotically preferred partner
sex and of partner age are not independent of each other.
See also: Freund et al., "Experimental Analysis of Pedo-
philia," Behaviour Research and Therapy, 20 (1982), 105-
12.

3961. GEISER, ROBERT L. Hidden Victims: The Sexual Abuse
Treats mainly heterosexual abuse (rape and incest), with
discussion also of pederasty, "male sex rings," gay kiddie
porn, and teenage hustlings. Despite this seemingly sen-
sational range of topics, this book is low-keyed and rel-
etively liberal.

3962. GROTH, A. NICHOLAS, and H. JEAN BIRNBAUM. "Adult
Sexual Orientation and Attraction to Underage
Persons," Archives of Sexual Behavior, 7 (1978),
175-81.
Suggests that homosexuality and homosexual pedophilia may
be mutually exclusive and that the adult heterosexual
male constitutes a greater risk to the underage child
than does the adult homosexual male.
Nine essays, several strongly Jungian, treating the boy as an archetypal figure.

A sometimes opaque essay attempting to demythologize child sexuality. See also: Schérer, Une érotique puérile (Paris: Galilée, 1978; 188 pp.).

Positive essays by Hohmann, Edward Brongersma, Helmut Bendt, Peter Schult, Hans-Peter Reichelt, Wolfgang Selitsch, Gerd Talis, Hans-Dieter Horning and others.

An Edwardian eccentric and diarist uses the cover of the values of ancient civilization to advance a cautious defense of erotic interest in youth.

A statistical study by the head of the vice squad in Copenhagen, based on Danish police records and files, which contrasts normal homosexual males with pedophiles.

Offers fair-minded and often detailed annotations of items included. As the author recognizes, the list could be extended. See also: "A Select Bibliography on Paedophilia," Gay Information (Australia), no.7 (1981), 38-40; no.14-15 (1984), 67; and Literatuurlijst (Antwerp: Studiegroep Peedofilie, 1978; 38 pp.).

Four papers largely reflecting Jungian perspectives.

Special number in tabloid format of Semiotext(e) magazine, comprising interviews with David Thorstad, Mark Moffett (both of NAMBLA), Kate Millett, together with a transcript of an April 1979 radio broadcast by Michel Foucault.

A pioneering work of the early postwar period that cost the author a prison sentence.

3973. MATZNEFF, GABRIEL. Les moins de seize ans. 
Holds that young people under 16 constitute a single sex apart, and that the choice of them as one's sexual orientation is of special significance.

Based on interviews in the Netherlands, presents two possible approaches to relations between children and adults.

Pedophile advocacy with autobiographical elements.

Pedophilic delinquents were oriented more towards a specific age than toward the sex of the partner. See related articles, ibid., 155-58, 366-70.

Traces the shift from a small private-sector charity concern into a multi-million dollar social welfare issue. The matter has become a platform for social-policy directives rather than an area of compassion and humanistic concern.

Existing studies provide no reason to believe that anything other than a random connection exists between homosexual behavior and child molestation. The typical offender is a heterosexual man.

Subjective approach by a rural boy lover who seeks to convey the mystique, as it were, which characterizes the
pederastic sensibility and to formulate a code of ethics.

Reasoned argument, by a British member of the Paedophile Information Exchange, for tolerance of the practice.
Asserting the natural sexuality of children and their right to expression, he rejects the historical idealization embodied in the Greek Love arguments of J. Z. Eglington and others. Asserts that police and parents frequently cause great harm to children in their traumatic efforts at intervention.

Adopts a critical stance toward pederasty and pedophilia.

Comprehensive examination of the question of sexual relations between adults and children, pointing out that punitive societal reactions tend to be emotionally charged and disproportionate to the objective consequences of the behavior.

Compared to heterosexual child molesters, homosexual offenders choose older (pubescent) partners, are more likely to be recidivists, and are less numerous. Incestuous child molesters are almost always heterosexual.

A neo-Hellenic apologia by a Boston aesthete who lived much of his life in England. The three volumes are entitled: (1) The Boy Lover; (2) The Uranian Eros; and (3) The Heavenly Wisdom and Conclusion.

Psychotherapeutic perspective.

A well-balanced study by an author sympathetic to pederasty, offering an international perspective. Notes, index, and bibliography. See also: Dennis Drew and Jonathan
Drake (pseud. of Parker Rossman), Boys for Sale: A Sociological Study of Boy Prostitution (New York: Brown, 1969; 223 pp.).

A well-meaning work which reveals both the genuine concern and the confusions underlying the current campaign against child sexuality. Fails adequately to distinguish between sexual contact and physical harm.

Presents results of a study conducted under the auspices of the Dutch government. The interviews, portions of which are reproduced in translation, tend to show stable relationships in which the boys take a positive attitude toward sexual liaisons. See also his: "Pedophile Relationships in the Netherlands: Alternative Lifestyle for Children?" Alternative Lifestyles, 5 (1983), 164-83.

In this useful reference work, see pp. 142-45, 152-53, 174-77.

Describes the sexual retraining program at a maximum security prison hospital that houses primarily pedophiles.

Eight papers representing a range of viewpoints, from negative and punitive to liberal and descriptive.

Reports a longitudinal study of nine cases; the outcomes are generally heterosexual.

Papers generally from a leftist standpoint, rejecting the idealization of Greek love in Eglinton's work, but some defending intergenerational sex as liberating, others reflecting a feminist argument to the effect that boy-love is a destructive abuse of phallic power.

3994. UNITED STATES. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Sexual
Report to the Chairman of the Subcommittee of Select Education, House Committee on Education and Labor, by the United States General Accounting Office, April 20, 1982. One of a number of such reports, which generally feature copious testimony by opponents of sexual freedom and others who seem to be seeking to manipulate the issue for political gain.

Pedosexuality and its legal repression.

A moderately negative presentation, of some sociological interest.

In-depth, sympathetic study of a Queensland boy lover, a kind of sexual Stakhanovite, who kept detailed records on his several thousand partners before committing suicide.

B. CROSS DRESSING

While cross dressing has appealed to a certain number homosexuals, it also has its adherents among heterosexuals. The subject thus belongs only partly to the study of homosexuality; it deserves to be examined as an independent cultural phenomenon. For cross dressing in the theatre, see VI.G.

Photographic study of men who enjoy dressing as a woman or living as a woman part or all of the time. See also: C. L. Gondanoff, Mesdames "messieurs" (Brussels: Paul Le-grain, 1979); Kris Kirk and Ed Heath, Men in Frocks (Lon-don: Gay Men's Press, 1984; 120 pp.); and Mike Phillips and Barry Shapiro, Forbidden Fantasies: Men Who Dare to Dress in Drag (New York: Macmillan, 1980; 121 pp.).

Text to accompany an exhibition on transvestism in photo-