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Understanding Street Gangs

*Gangs A Guide To  
Understanding  
Street Gangs*

**This is a revision of a  
popular anthology that**

## Read Online Gangs A Guide To Understanding Street Gangs

**examines contemporary gangs in the United States and law enforcement efforts to study and deal with them. It includes original essays from a broad array of gang researchers and experienced**

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**practitioners who work with gangs covering a wide variety of current topics and issues.**

**A guide to understanding street gangs for parents, teachers, mental health and**

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**law enforcement  
professionals.**

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Forensic Science**

**"Gangs are on the rise  
again." This portent of  
trouble comes from the**

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**FBI'S expert on gangs, Linda Schmidt. Today, there are over 30,000 gangs across America and over 800,000 gang members. Gangs are savvy and scarier than ever. Their firepower, military**

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**background and lack of restraint have made some city centers too dangerous to patrol. As gang power grows, knowledge is the best antidote and the best inducement to corrective**

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**actions. The interviews, street wisdom and advice that are used throughout this book show its heavy dose of reality. Specialist Linda Schmidt goes deep into gang territory without a**

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**badge or gun. She uses a lethal mix of wily street smarts, courage, and determination. She possesses the secret weapons of confidence and caring, and the unnerving**



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**manner and moral compass of a grandmother. There are very few in law enforcement who have gotten so far beneath the surface of gang life. Linda can look at a wall of graffiti and read the**

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**hieroglyphics that predict an impending murder. She has leaned over unidentified corpses on the cold steel of the coroner's table and told their life story by interpreting the codes of**

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**their tattoos. Linda's book is a crucial primer for anyone who needs to learn the customs and codes of the gang world. She brings you systematically through the anthropology, psychology**

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**and pathology of the gang culture. This book is not an ideology approach but rather a practical book with a set of steps to follow. It provides specific advice and ideas for actions.**

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**Interviews, photos, experiences and case studies are included to make the book much more user-friendly to prosecutors, police and corrections officials. One of the goals of**

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**this book is to provide all law enforcement (local, state, and federal) with a method for working together to get the best results when dealing with gang cases. It will make law**

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**enforcers sit up and take notice. This book will get real results in a short time if it's carefully explained advice is heeded.**

**A Guide for Understanding Prison Life**

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**A Parents' Guide for  
Preventing Gangs  
It Doesn't Have to be this  
Way  
Using Civil Remedies to Curb  
Gang-Related Crimes  
Youth Gangs in American**

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## **Society**

### **The Re-Evolution of American Street Gangs**

### **Street Gangs**

**This book is intended for anyone who has no real perception of prison life,**

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**and for those trying to survive the realization of life behind bars. Convict Etiquette was written by a young man who made a terrible decision at an early age that cost him his life on**

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**"the outside." As human beings, we are faced with a series of lessons as we navigate our way through our existence on this planet. The decision we make are often confusing**

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**and not always easy to make, particularly if you are misled. Most are simple enough to overcome. Others can alter your life entirely, and for the worst. By reading this book, perhaps**

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**it will cause you to pause long enough to reconsider your actions before it becomes a life-changing decision you will regret. For anyone who has already chosen the wrong path,**

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**surviving life in lockup is not what you think. There are many elements to consider in order to navigate your way in the prison system. Learning the proper etiquette that is**

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**necessary to survive and blend in with other cellmates is important if you are to avoid harm, solitary confinement, or even death. Disclaimer: Rules, regulations and**

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**interactions with fellow inmates may change from one prison system to another. The intent of this book is to act as a guide for life inside the penal system, and to offer an**



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**understanding of how to adapt to the facility and environment you may encounter as a convict. It is up to each individual who has been incarcerated to figure out and understand**

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**the facility they are assigned.**

**"Routledge International Handbook of Critical Gang Studies is rooted in the instability, inequality and liquidity of the post-**

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**industrial era. It understands the gang as a complex and contradictory phenomenon; a socio-historical agent that reflects, responds to and creates a certain structured**

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**environment in spaces which are always in flux. International in scope and drawing on a range of sociological, criminological and anthropological traditions, it looks beyond**

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**pathological, ahistorical, and non-transformative approaches, and considers other important factors that produce the phenomenon, whether the historically entrenched racialized**

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**power structure and segregation in Chicago, the unconstrained state-abandoned development of favelas in Brazil, or the colonization, displacement and dependency of people**

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**in Central America. This handbook reflects and defines the new theoretical and empirical traditions of critical gang studies. It offers a variety of perspectives, including: A**

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**view of gangs that takes into consideration the global context and appearance of the "gang" in its various forms and stages of development, An appreciation of the gang as**



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**a socio-cultural formation,  
A race-ethnic and class  
analysis of the gang that  
problematizes domain  
assumptions such as the  
"underclass", Gender  
variations of the gang**

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**phenomenon with a particular emphasis on their intersectional properties, Relations between gangs and the political economy that address the dominant mode**

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**of production and exchange, Treatments that demonstrate the historically contingent nature of gangs and their changes across time, The contradictory impact of gang repressive**

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**policies, institutions and practices as part of a broader discussion on the nature of the state in specific societies, Critical methodologies on gangs that involve discussions of**

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**visual and textual representations and the problematics of data collection and analysis. Authoritative, multi-disciplinary and international, this book will**

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**be of interest to criminologists, sociologists and anthropologists alike, particularly those engaged with critical criminology/sociology, youth crime, delinquency,**

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**and global social inequality. The handbook will also be of interest to policy makers and those in the peacebuilding field"-- This two-volume set integrates informative**

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**contextualize developments related to gang activity • Includes a Guide to Related Topics to facilitate tangential discovery • Defines terms essential to understanding the subject**

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glossary**

**This comprehensive and  
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gang activities in America  
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Barrio Ministry,**

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**Masculinity, and Gang  
Recovery**

**Identification of Gang  
Influence**

**Trapped Between**

**Innocence and Death**

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**Provide Parents with  
Information in Order to  
Recognize and Prevent  
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A Guide for Dealing with  
Gang-related Violence  
An Information Guide for**

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*Meet the Grossery Gang  
in this essential  
handbook that contains  
all the latest collectible  
characters! Inside Cheap  
Town's abandoned Yucky***



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***Mart, you can find the Grossery Gang—the newest collectible toy. This book contains all the Grossery Gang characters from seasons 1 and 2—including Putrid Pizza,***

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***Dodgey Donut, and Fungus Fries—along with all their fun facts. Check each character off your shopping list and make sure you collect them all!***  
***A New York Times***

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***Bestseller "A rich portrait of the urban poor, drawn not from statistics but from vivid tales of their lives and his, and how they intertwined." —The Economist "A sensitive,***

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***sympathetic,  
unpatronizing portrayal  
of lives that are ususally  
ignored or lumped into ill-  
defined stereotype."***

***—Finanical Times***

***Foreword by Stephen J.***

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***Dubner, coauthor of Freakonomics When first-year graduate student Sudhir Venkatesh walked into an abandoned building in one of Chicago's most notorious***

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***housing projects, he hoped to find a few people willing to take a multiple-choice survey on urban poverty--and impress his professors with his boldness. He***

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***never imagined that as a result of this assignment he would befriend a gang leader named JT and spend the better part of a decade embedded inside the projects under JT's***

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***protection. From a privileged position of unprecedented access, Venkatesh observed JT and the rest of his gang as they operated their crack-selling business,***



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***made peace with their neighbors, evaded the law, and rose up or fell within the ranks of the gang's complex hierarchical structure. Examining the morally***

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***ambiguous, highly intricate, and often corrupt struggle to survive in an urban war zone, Gang Leader for a Day also tells the story of the complicated***

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***friendship that develops  
between Venkatesh and  
JT--two young and  
ambitious men a universe  
apart. Sudhir Venkatesh's  
latest book Floating City:  
A Rogue Sociologist Lost***

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***and Found in New York's  
Underground Economy—a  
memoir of sociological  
investigation revealing  
the true face of America's  
most diverse city—is also  
published by Penguin***

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***Press.***

***This text is uniquely realistic with comprehensive coverage that presents the problem in practical terms, and not in theoretical and/or***

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***causal explanations. All levels of students will be able to comprehend and relate to the material.***

***Ethnic, prison, motorcycle, and skinhead gangs are covered in***

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***detail. The book concludes with a chapter on the future of prevention and intervention as a means to end the gang cycle of violence.***

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***Reluctantly a young boy becomes more and more involved in the activities of a local gang, until a tragic event involving his cousin forces him to make a choice about the***



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***course of his life.***

***Gangs and Organized  
Crime***

***An Inclusive Guide to  
Periods***

***Identifying And***

***Understanding Modern-***

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***Day Violent Gangs In The  
United States***

***Exploring the Mentality***

***Behind the Madness***

***The Gangs of St. Louis***

***Gangs and Law***

***Enforcement***

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### ***A Rogue Sociologist Takes to the Streets***

Now an acclaimed documentary from Screen Media, the New York Times bestselling account of the story behind one of the most influential, durable, and beloved

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shows in the history of television: Sesame Street. “Davis tracks down every Sesame anecdote and every Sesame personality in his book . . . Finally, we get to touch Big Bird's feathers.” —The New York Times Book Review Sesame Street is the

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longest-running-and arguably most beloved- children's television program ever created. Today, it reaches some six million preschoolers weekly in the United States and countless others in 140 countries around the world. Street

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Gang is the compelling, comical, and inspiring story of a media masterpiece and pop-culture landmark. Television reporter and columnist Michael Davis-with the complete participation of Joan Ganz Cooney, one of the show's

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founders-unveils the idealistic personalities, decades of social and cultural change, stories of compassion and personal sacrifice, and miraculous efforts of writers, producers, directors, and puppeteers that together

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transformed an empty soundstage into the most recognizable block of real estate in television history. In *Gangs and Organized Crime*, George W. Knox, Gregg W. Etter, and Carter F. Smith offer an informed and carefully investigated



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examination of gangs and organized crime groups, covering street gangs, prison gangs, outlaw motorcycle gangs, and organized crime groups from every continent. The authors have spent decades investigating gangs as well as

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researching their history and activities, and this dual professional-academic perspective informs their analysis of gangs and crime groups. They take a multidisciplinary approach that combines criminal justice, public

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policy and administration, law, organizational behavior, sociology, psychology, and urban planning perspectives to provide insight into the actions and interactions of a variety of groups and their members. This textbook is ideal for

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criminal justice and sociology courses on gangs as well as related course topics like gang behavior, gang crime and the inner city, organized crime families, and transnational criminal groups. Gangs and Organized Crime is also

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an excellent addition to the professional's reference library or primer for the general reader. More information is available at the supporting website – [www.gangsandorganizedcrime.com](http://www.gangsandorganizedcrime.com)  
Gangs in America's Communities,

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Third Edition blends theory with current research to help you identify essential features associated with youth violence and gangs, as well as apply strategies for gang control and prevention. Authors Dr. James C. Howell and Dr. Elizabeth

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Griffiths introduce you to theories of gang formation, illustrate various ways of defining and classifying gangs, and discuss national trends in gang presence and gang-related violence across American cities. They also offer evidence-based

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strategies for positioning communities to prevent, intervene, and address gang activity. New to the Third Edition: A series of new case studies document the evolution of numerous gangs in large cities, including the



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community aspect, evolutionary nature, and how cities influence levels of violence. New discussions highlighting the role of social media, insights into how gangs use it to recruit members, and the response from law enforcement. Current

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nationwide gang trends are discussed to encourage you to analyze and interpret the most recent statistics for which representative data is available. Updated macro and micro gang theories enable you to explore a

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recent encapsulation of leading developmental models. New discussions around female gang members offer you potentially effective programs for discouraging females from joining gangs—along with highly regarded delinquency

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prevention and reduction programs that have the potency to be effective in reducing gang crimes among young women. A comprehensive gang prevention, intervention, and suppression program in Multnomah County,

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Oregon shows how theory was successfully applied to reduce gang activity in a local community. New research on “gang structures” and their rates of crime illustrate the connections between violent crimes and the amount of violent offenders

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within a gang. Additional discussion of distinguishing features (e.g., typologies) of major gangs, and numerous examples of gang symbols, tattoos, and graffiti has been added to help readers identify and differentiate various types of

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gangs.

Offers a history of street gangs in America, looks at the symbols and rituals used by gangs, and lists resources and organizations who offer help against gangs.

Understanding Youth and Gangs

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A Guide to Gangsters, Murderers  
and Weirdos of New York City's  
Lower East Side  
Convict Etiquette  
A Guide to Understanding Street  
Gangs  
Gang Leader for a Day



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Grounded Gangs Guide to Not Getting Grounded

This inclusive, unapologetic, and humorous guide to menstruation quashes stigmas and provides us

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with the latest research and information on periods. Filled with information and free from cultural hang-ups, this gender-neutral book is directed at anybody that's ever dealt with having a period. Writer and influencer Tara Costello has

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been writing about menstruation for more than a decade and, here, she pulls together her research and experience into a book that's wide-ranging, inclusive, and fun. Boldly illustrated by Mary Purdie, Red Moon Gang tackles every

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aspect of the menstrual cycle--from the biology and science behind why you bleed every month, to the latest findings on hormonal fluctuations (aka, why you're PMSing so bad). It takes a deep dive into the

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different types of menstrual products available, including their pros and cons, and covers various period conditions such as endometriosis and polycystic ovary syndrome. Drawing from her own experience, Costello explores

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how having a period shaped her relationship to her body and her place in the world. And she discusses topics that aren't generally covered in health class too--such as how periods are a particular challenge to those

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experiencing body dysmorphia, individuals living in poverty, and disabled people. Finally, she offers up a Period Toolkit, listing products and retailers she loves, tips on how to make menstruating easier, and resources for further

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education.

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St. Louis was a city under siege during Prohibition. Seven different criminal gangs violently vied for control of the town's illegal



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enterprises. Although their names (the Green Ones, the Pillow Gang, the Russo Gang, Egan's Rats, the Hogan Gang, the Cuckoo Gang and the Shelton Gang) are familiar to many, their exploits have remained largely undocumented

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until now. Learn how an awkward gunshot wound gave the Pillow Gang its name, and read why Willie Russo's bizarre midnight interview with a reporter from the St. Louis Star involved an automatic pistol and a floating

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hunk of cheese. From daring bank robberies to cold-blooded betrayals, *The Gangs of St. Louis* chronicles a fierce yet juicy slice of the Gateway City's history that rivaled anything seen in New York or Chicago.

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A Booklist Editors' Choice and a Society of School Librarians International (SSLI) Honor Book  
Street gangs have exploded worldwide. Tattoos, baggy pants, tagging, gangsta style, the unspoken threat -- it's all just

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around the corner in most of the world's major cities. From the streets of Los Angeles to the shantytowns of Cape Town, hundreds of thousands of "at risk" youth are deciding whether they should join their local gang.

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Violence, guns, the drug trade, racism, poverty, families under pressure and ever-widening slums all provide a witch's brew in which the youth gang tempts young males and females with a sense of identity and belonging that their

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world has denied them. Gangs exposes the roots of the problem as it moves from the banlieues of France to the favelas of Brazil. It offers a startling analysis of the complicity of the official adult world and some controversial

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ideas for reforms that might just undermine the appeal of gang life. For many of the world's young -- especially those who are poor -- joining a gang is a real career choice. It is a choice that can be as deadly for young gangsters as for



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their victims. Richard Swift shows us that we fail to understand gangs at our peril.

The Grossery Gang: Collector's Guide

Gangs, Graffiti, and Violence

A Guide to Understanding Street

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Gangs for Parents, Teachers,  
Mental Health and Law  
Enforcement Professionals  
Gangs in America's Communities  
A Barrio Story  
A Realistic Guide to the Scope and  
Nature of Gangs in America

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## Encyclopedia of Gangs

Jumped In tells the story of the gangs of Los Angeles in the words of the gang members themselves as well as the people who interact with them on a daily basis--trying to arrest them, control them, and help

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them. There are priests and police officers, murderers and drug dealers, victims and grieving mothers, and other assorted characters, often partnering in unlikely ways. Jorja Leap's work draws upon intimate material, from

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interviews to eyewitness accounts, telling the deeply personal stories of current and former gang members who span three generations, as well as the dilemmas Leap herself faces as she struggles to adjust to marriage

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and motherhood--with a husband in the LAPD and a daughter in adolescence. *Jumped In* is a chronicle of the unexpected lessons gang members taught her when she was busily studying them. Ultimately, it is a book about

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attachments and commitments, loyalties and betrayals, drugs and guns, sex and devotion. When Leap began studying Los Angeles gang violence in 2002, she set out not so much to provide a solution but to find out what was being done

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and who was doing it. The stakes couldn't have been higher: a child or teenager is killed by gunfire almost every three hours--nearly eight times a day--and homicide is the primary cause of death of African American males between



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the ages of fifteen and thirty-four. During her years of research, this petite white woman from UCLA gained the trust of gang interventionists and access to their inner world. She sat in the living rooms, stood at the crime scenes,

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and drove through the housing projects. Through the oral histories, personal interviews, and eyewitness accounts of current and former gang members, readers come to understand gangs and the forces that pull people into them.

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First we get the lay of the land: the genealogy and geography of gangs and sub-gangs, territories within territories. But the centerpiece of the book is really the stories of those people who live "la vida loca," as well as the experiences of those

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trying to make things better. These stories are told in Leap's candid first-person voice, as she introduces us to gangland residents such as Tray, a young father trying to go straight who is nonetheless felled by a bullet, and Joanna, a

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third-generation gang member, who speaks of forbidding her mother to sell drugs around her baby granddaughter. We also ride along with Leap and Big Mike, a former "original gangster" who now does street peace ministry. We see the

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successful "Jobs not Jails" program at Homeboy Industries and learn that former gangsters make good paramedics and firefighters, accustomed to dangerous situations as they are. With an anthropologist's eye and a

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compassionate heart, Leap offers not a prescription for solving the gang problem, but a gritty yet hopeful portrait of violence and redemption.

Guide for law enforcement and criminal justice related

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professionals, mental health professionals, teachers and parents. It includes gang life style, sociology and characteristics of Latino, Asian, African-American, White Supremacists, Prison, Outlaw Motorcycle, Occult and



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Hybrid gangs.

A detailed overview of street gangs in the Chicago metropolitan area.

Marauding gangs have become a fact of life in the U.S., but where did these violent groups come from, and why are they so appealing to

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so many youths today? This comprehensive guide provides answers to these questions and more. It will open your eyes to a world few of us know, but most of us fear.

Crips and Bloods: A Guide to an

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American Subculture

Gangs

A Parent's Guide to Street Gangs

What Gangs Taught Me about

Violence, Drugs, Love, and

Redemption

Gang Investigations

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God's Gangs

This innovative work offers the reader a unique understanding and insight into our current gang problems. Whether you're a single parent, grandparent,

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family member, teacher, peace officer, or counselor, this book provides practical information and solutions to appropriately combat gang issues that affect all citizens. The authors share their extensive knowledge of

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work with gangs from two unique perspectives. Paul Cosores has worked in Los Angeles County as a probation officer with juvenile gang members for several years; Dr. Saroyan has developed and run

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treatment programs with adolescent gang members as well as treat them on both an in-patient and out-patient status. Their perspectives are direct and hard hitting. It is recommended reading for

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every parent, teacher, law enforcement staff and anyone else affected by gangs within our society. This book helps us understand the significance of the gang problem within our communities. The authors



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provide clear descriptions of the phases and levels of gang involvement as well as teach the reader how to intervene as an individual, family member or a community, saving our youths from this destructive path.

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The problem of gangs and gang subculture is a growing threat to the stability of neighborhoods and entire communities. During the past two decades, gang members have increasingly migrated from large urban centers to

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suburban areas and other countries. This book addresses the intricacies and diversities of street gangs, drawing on the expertise of h

This book provides a concise and engaging examination of

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the subculture of the Crips and Bloods—the notorious street gangs that started in Los Angeles, but have now spread throughout the United States. • Includes a timeline of significant events related to the

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counterculture • Offers a bibliography of print and non-print resources for student research • Describes the symbols, objects, words, colors, and images used to represent the gangs • Provides a comprehensive

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glossary of street literacy terms

Winner, 2014 Distinguished Contribution to Research Award presented by the Latina/o Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association Los Angeles is

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the epicenter of the American gang problem. Rituals and customs from Los Angeles' eastside gangs, including hand signals, graffiti, and clothing styles, have spread to small towns and big cities alike.

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Many see the problem with gangs as related to urban marginality—for a Latino immigrant population struggling with poverty and social integration, gangs offer a close-knit community. Yet, as Edward



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Orozco Flores argues in *God's Gangs*, gang members can be successfully redirected out of gangs through efforts that change the context in which they find themselves, as well as their notions of what it

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means to be a man. Flores here illuminates how Latino men recover from gang life through involvement in urban, faith-based organizations. Drawing on participant observation and interviews with Homeboy

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Industries, a Jesuit-founded non-profit that is one of the largest gang intervention programs in the country, and with Victory Outreach, a Pentecostal ministry with over 600 chapters, Flores

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demonstrates that organizations such as these facilitate recovery from gang life by enabling gang members to reinvent themselves as family men and as members of their community. The book offers a

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barrio masculinity to distance themselves from gang life.

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**Street Gang**

**The Complete History of  
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comprehension. Most of us***

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***cannot comprehend the logic, or illogical of one human being killing another over colors, streets, money, or reputation. The disregard for human life has become a common theme in certain segments of society, and***



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***it has become a part of the culture of today's youth. With this in mind, the author has compiled information from his past experiences and the travails of other gang members, to bring you the insightful, "Guide to***

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***through a well articulated classification system, you will be able to determine how committed a gang member is (or can be) to the gang lifestyle. Without understanding, change is at best improbable and in most cases***

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