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â œThe most detailed examinations of self-defeating behavior I have ever readâ |. Very useful." â " Albert Ellis, PH.D., President, Institute of Rational-emotive therapy, and author of A New Guide to Rational Living "Some of my patients would not need therapy if they would read this book." â " Dr. Alan Loy McGinnis, author of The Power of Optimism The groundbreaking theory expounded in Self-Defeating Behaviors asserts that, with each new moment, people have the ability to make a choice for either a self-defeating or self-enhancing behavior; this is the guide to freeing ourselves from the inappropriate and crippling behaviors that sabotage our success.

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I have already purchased and distributed over two dozen copies. It provides a dynamic model of the way we construct, defend and nurture our self-defeating behaviors, while we simultaneously minimize the real pain heaped upon us and the people around us, and abdicate responsibility for the whole thing!We are each of us presented with a continuous stream of new moments of life, in which we exercise choices. Each of these choices can lead either to a self-defeating behavior or to a behavior that affirms and honors life. At certain times, we "learn" (i.e. we make an invalid association) that we can avoid work/pain/criticism or other fear by choosing a certain escapist behaviors or thoughts.

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