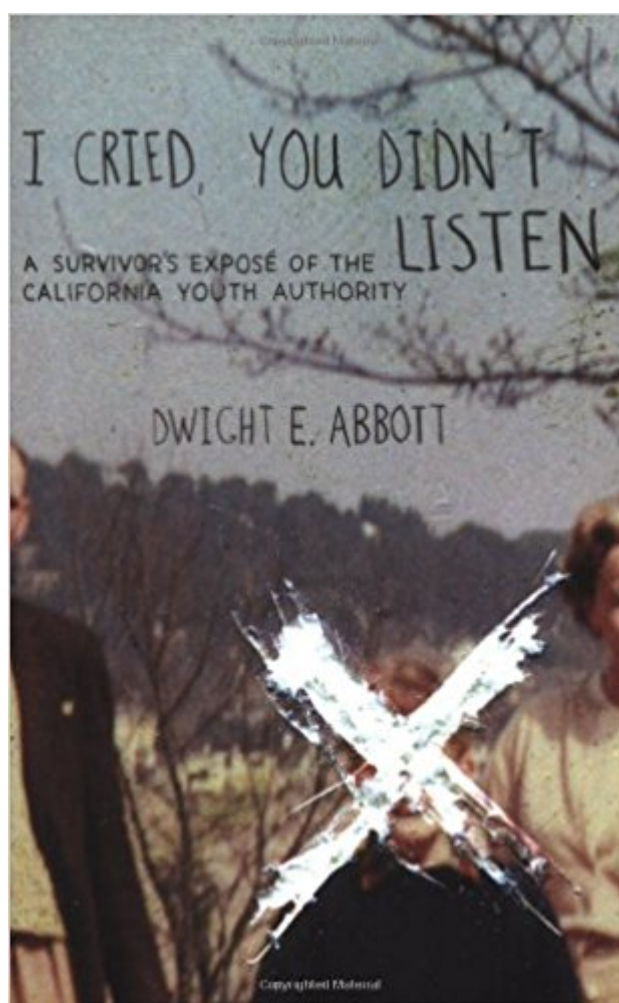


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Synopsis

"The author's well-written story comes at the reader fast and furiously shocking readers into an awareness of the inhumanity of America's juvenile penal institutions."-Publishers Weekly At age nine, a family tragedy forced Dwight Abbott into the California Youth Authority. This is the chilling chronicle of his life behind bars-a story of brutality and survival, a dark journey showing how the systematic abuse of incarcerated children creates a cycle of criminal behavior that usually ends with prison or death. Dwight Edgar Abbott, in and out of prison since childhood, is serving multiple life sentences in Salinas Valley State Prison.

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Customer Reviews

Dwight Edgar Abbott, in and out of prison since childhood, is serving multiple life sentences in Salinas Valley State Prison. Jack Carter is an investigative journalist and makes his home in Cardiff, California.

This book came to me from a friend, I was stunned by the authors candor, his willingness to reveal what his experiences have been, and to tell what had happened to him as he was thrust into the 'system'. Not an offender, but for protection!! His choices spiraled him into a repetitive whirlwind without a possibility of escape. How sad that adults abuse children to relieve their own frustrations and perversions. This book should be distributed to every high school in the country, so that these, so called, 'tough kids' can see their possible future in the making... by the choices they make. They

do have them, this book will help them make the right ones. We were not put here, without a way out, that way out is to use our God given intelligence and a willingness to understand our nature..

I can't say much since the author tells it in great detail. I don't think I doubted any of the facts that are presented to the reader with a lot of emotion. It was by accident that I came upon the book at the Los Angeles City College Library. On the cover was a picture of this innocent boy looking at me with sad eyes. I opened the book and entered a world where misery is welcomed, where it is a matter of survival of the fittest but stripped of any chance. Being a man, I have cried over this book like a baby. Alas, I have not been able to do much since I don't know who to contact. This book should be reprinted, and, with good marketing, distributed all over the world. IT IS POSSIBLE.

I went to prison for a crime not committed. It was a real eye opener. Subsequently I took a deep interest in the abject cruelty which persists behind the walls of abuse and retribution. That's when I discovered Dwight's heartrending book. As a volunteer for a prison book program which distributes books to inmates nationwide, I came across a request for books that he sent on behalf of his cellmate. Dwight and I began a pen-pal relationship. I discovered an intelligent, articulate, compassionate individual who has been corrupted by a system that creates criminals. This man possesses an innate goodness which has been masked by institutions whose only goal is to punish regardless of the legitimacy of a persons "crime." This book explores an in-depth look into the sick and sordid reality of what we, as Americans, have come to regard as an acceptable response to breaking the law. It exposes a "tough on crime" policy that does not accomplish what is intended; quite the opposite is true.

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