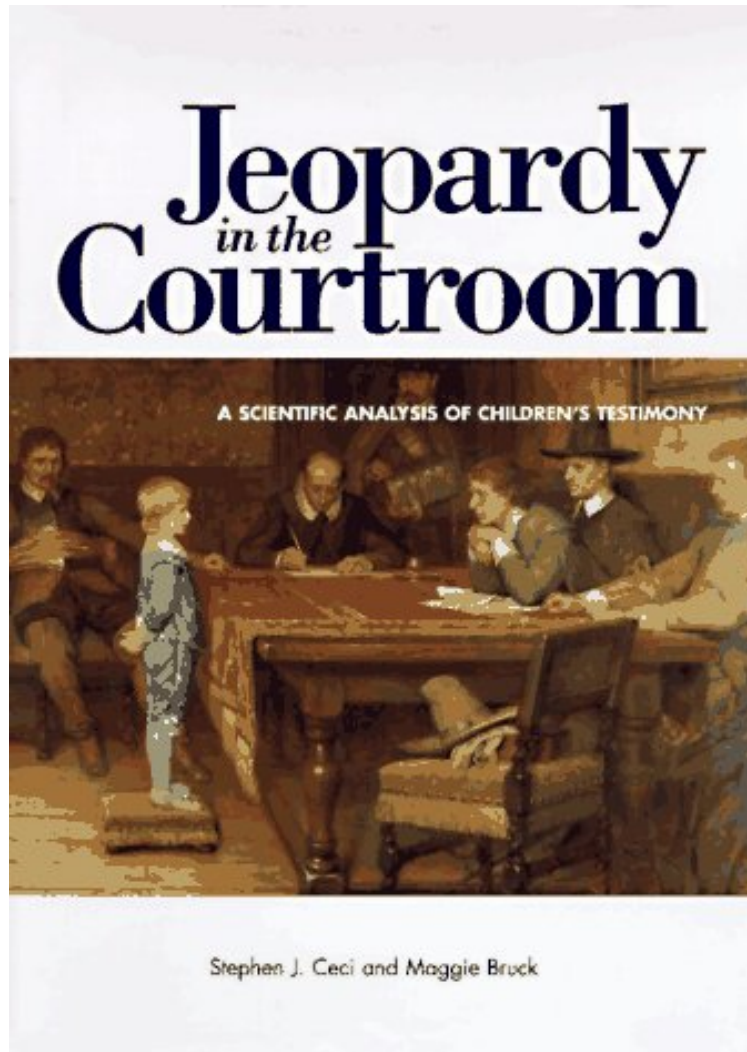


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are potentially life altering and Maggie and Bruck have provided a great service by researching the suggestibility of children. We all know that a child will believe almost anything a trusted adult tells them. This is why they believe in Santa Claus, Easter Bunny ETC. But when a parent or other adult tells a child that they have been harmed by someone it can and does have the same effect. This book is not only interesting but mandatory for any attorney, child protection worker, or judge. 1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Author Believes There is No Such Thing As Child Sex Abuse By BFL The conclusions of the authors is that child sex abuse rarely occurs and allegations are almost always false, especially if the allegations implicate a larger pedophile ring. "allegations of...organized rings of adults specializing in child pornography...as we have discussed, there is no compelling evidence to support these claims, both in our cases and in others that have been investigated..." (page 301) The Ivy League pedigree of the authors has unfortunately led to an inordinate level of respect being afforded to their book that otherwise would not be given with the result that children are truly being harmed as law enforcement and court-appointed therapists rely on their conclusions to draw conclusions of their own...in every single case. According to the conclusions of Ceci Bruck, all the pedophile rings that have been busted across the U.S. in recent years must have been based on trumped up charges...not actual evidence found on their computers...

The credibility of children's testimony is a hotly debated topic in America's courtrooms, universities and professional organisations. Are children more suggestible than adults, and if so, what are the implications for those who work with child witnesses? This work examines real life cases in which children were key witnesses in criminal child abuse trials. Written in accessible language by experts in the field, this text should be useful for expert witnesses and all those who work with child witnesses, including therapists, social workers, law enforcement personnel and lawyers.