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This ground-breaking book is a follow-on to John Braithwaite's best-selling and influential *Crime, Shame and Reintegration*. Shame management is becoming a central concept, in theoretical and practical terms, across a range of fields. This book makes a major contribution to the advancement of shame in a theoretical sense, and through its detailed analysis of shame management in cases of drink-driving and school bullying, it increases our understanding of reintegrative shaming in a practical sense.

Criminologists have been waiting for this book, but for psychology, sociology and other areas as well, this accessible book serves as an introduction to the concepts of shame, guilt and embarrassment. It has two major theoretical outcomes: it develops an ethical-identity conception of shame, and second, a theory of reintegrative shame management, which will make it a central and lasting work. Presenting new research by the Restorative Justice Group at the Australian National University, the book contributes immeasurably to the development of practical alternatives to common sanctions in an effort to reduce crime and other social problems.

Written by the key exponents of restorative justice, the book is an important re-statement of the theory and practice of shaming. It will develop important and often controversial debates about punishment, shaming and restorative justice to a new level.

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