

# Sticks and Stones: Modern Plays on Words That Wound

Words have the power to hurt, and these modern plays explore the devastating effects of verbal abuse. From the playground to the workplace, *Sticks and Stones* examines the ways in which words can be used as weapons.



## Sticks and Stones (Modern Plays) by Dee Cannon

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## The History of Sticks and Stones

The proverb "sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me" is a common refrain used to dismiss the impact of verbal abuse. However, research has shown that words can have a profound effect on our physical and mental health.

Verbal abuse can lead to a number of negative outcomes, including:

- Increased stress and anxiety

- Depression and low self-esteem
- Physical health problems, such as headaches and stomachaches
- Relationship problems
- Suicide

In recent years, there has been a growing awareness of the harmful effects of verbal abuse. This has led to the development of new laws and policies to protect people from verbal harassment and bullying.

### **Sticks and Stones in the Modern World**

Verbal abuse is a problem that affects people of all ages and backgrounds. It can happen in any setting, from the home to the school to the workplace.

In the modern world, verbal abuse is often perpetrated through social media. Cyberbullying is a serious problem that can have a devastating impact on victims.

Sticks and Stones is a collection of modern plays that explore the impact of verbal abuse. These plays offer a powerful reminder of the importance of words and the need to treat each other with respect.

### **The Plays in Sticks and Stones**

Sticks and Stones includes six plays by some of the most important playwrights of our time.

- **The Laramie Project** by Moisés Kaufman and the Members of the Tectonic Theater Project: This play tells the true story of the murder of

Matthew Shepard, a gay college student who was beaten and left to die in Laramie, Wyoming.

- **Doubt: A Parable** by John Patrick Shanley: This play explores the issue of sexual abuse in the Catholic Church.
- **The Goat, or Who Is Sylvia?** by Edward Albee: This play tells the story of a successful architect who falls in love with a goat.
- **Speech & Debate** by Stephen Karam: This play follows a group of high school students who are trying to start a speech and debate club.
- **The Aliens** by Annie Baker: This play tells the story of a group of immigrants who are living in a small town in Vermont.
- **The Flick** by Annie Baker: This play tells the story of a group of employees at a movie theater.

These plays offer a wide range of perspectives on the issue of verbal abuse. They are all powerful and moving works of theater that will stay with you long after you see them.

## **The Importance of Sticks and Stones**

Sticks and Stones is an important collection of plays that sheds light on the devastating effects of verbal abuse. These plays offer a powerful reminder of the importance of words and the need to treat each other with respect.

If you are interested in learning more about the issue of verbal abuse, I encourage you to see one of the plays in Sticks and Stones. You can also find more information online at the following websites:

- [StopBullying.gov](http://StopBullying.gov)

- The Trevor Project
- Crisis Text Line

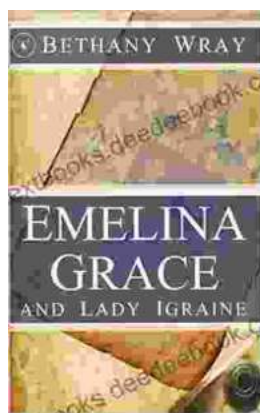
Together, we can end verbal abuse.



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