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Based on the latest research, this book provides today's practitioners and policymakers with an accessible summary of what we currently know about child protection. It explains the forms of abuse, how common they are and their impact before going on to evaluate effective interventions to combat maltreatment.