Woman Battering as Marital Act
The Construction of a Violent Marriage
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How do women and men make sense of acts of marital woman battering? How do they define, interpret, and explain them? Do they try to justify them? What does violence do to their lives and marriages?

In the search for answers, Margareta Hydén, through a series of interviews of twenty couples, gained access to intimate accounts of marital violence from several perspectives: the male perpetrator, the female victim, and the couple engaged in the joint project of marriage.

*Woman Battering as Marital Act* presents a penetrating and disturbing picture of modern marital violence.