



Power Games : Why Winners Win and Losers Lose

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Power Games is a brilliant exploration of the psychodynamic strategies unconsciously enacted to spare the person the imagined pain and frustration of an authentic encounter. Although such strategic power operations can be characterological, they do not have to be: all people, even those rare individuals who are capable of ongoing intimacy, are forced at moments of frailty or interpersonal indecisiveness to play power games, and certainly the culture at large pervasively sponsors the enactment of opportunistic interpersonal strategies. In this new book, Gerald Alper, whose *Portrait of the Artist as a Young Patient* was called by the *New England Review of Books* one of the most important modern studies of the psyche of the creative personality that we have, continues his profound examination of the obstacles that stand in the path of the true intimacy.

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