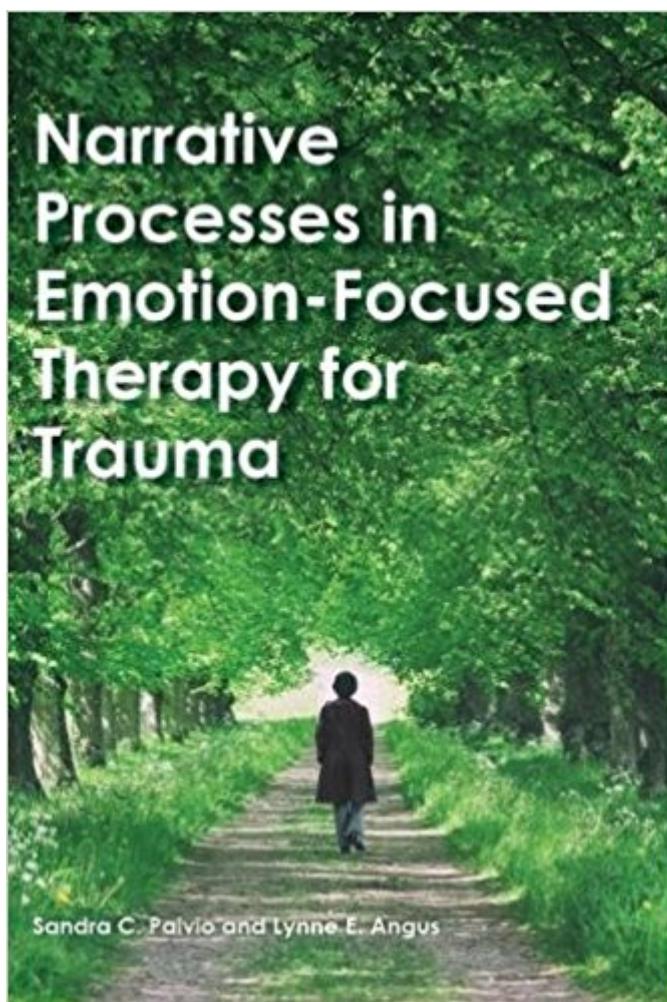


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# Narrative Processes In Emotion-Focused Therapy For Complex Trauma



## Synopsis

Because drop-out rates and non-compliance with exposure-based procedures are notoriously high in trauma therapies, effective treatment options are essential. Emotion-Focused Therapy for Trauma (EFTT) is especially well-suited to treating trauma-related disturbances. A fundamental assumption underlying most trauma therapies, including EFTT, is that recovery requires the client to engage emotionally with trauma memories to achieve enhanced affect regulation and self-understanding. EFTT draws upon storytelling as a fundamental aspect of the human experience that permits this kind of engagement with trauma memories, promoting a sense of continuity and self-coherence, and bringing meaning to the client's emotional responses. Richly illustrated with clinical examples and excerpts from therapy sessions, this book integrates work on narrative and emotion change processes in theory, research, practice, and training.

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