

KAREN HORNEY

1885-1952



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INTRODUCTION

Biography

Beginnings of Her
Career

Major Works

- Neurotic Needs
- Neo-Freudianism
- Feminine Psychology
- Self Theory

EARLY LIFE

Born Karen Danielson
on September 16th,
1885

Born near Hamburg,
Germany

Religious father and
free-spirited mother

- Led to troubles in early life



TROUBLES IN EARLY LIFE

Felt neglected by her father

- Became much more attached to her mother

Battled depression since the age of 9

- Stemmed from rejection from her brother
- Rejection due to crush she had on him

Shifted her focus towards education

- Early Age
- Due to insecurities of her appearance

COLLEGE YEARS

Attended the
University of
Freiburg

- Had to justify to her parents
- Women's rights in education limited

1906

Earned her medical
degree from the
University of Berlin in
1913

1913

1908

Transferred to
University of
Gottigen

- Her husband also transferred

YOUNG ADULTHOOD: 1910-1916

Married Oskar Horney third year of college

- Gave birth to first child in 1910

Horney's mother died one year after

Gave birth to two more daughters

- 1913
- 1916

Relied on Freudian analysis during these difficult times



MARITAL PROBLEMS

Oskar's business was shut down (1923)

- Her brother died the same

Contributed to Depression and Suicidal thoughts

Moved out of Oskar's home in 1926

- Moved to US in 1930

BEGINNINGS IN HER CAREER

Institute of Psychoanalysis in Berlin (1920)

- Worked under Karl Abraham
- Regarded as his most gifted analysts

Chicago Institute of Psychoanalysis

- Associate Director
- Held position for a mere two years

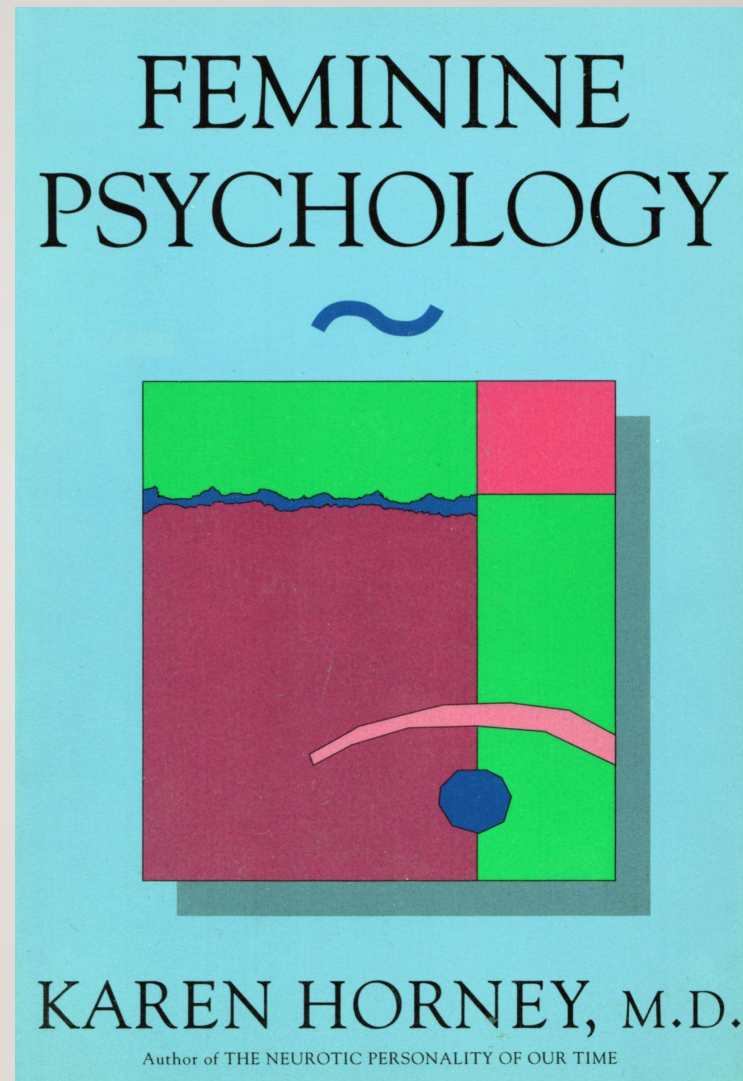
FEMININE PSYCHOLOGY

“Feminine Psychology” written between 1922 and 1937

- 14 papers regarding female psychology
- Regarded by many as her best work

Composed a “self-help” book

- Stressed Self-Awareness



THEORY OF NEUROTIC NEEDS

Still Considered
Best Theory Used
Today

Three Broad
Coping Strategies:

- Compliance
- Aggression
- Withdrawal

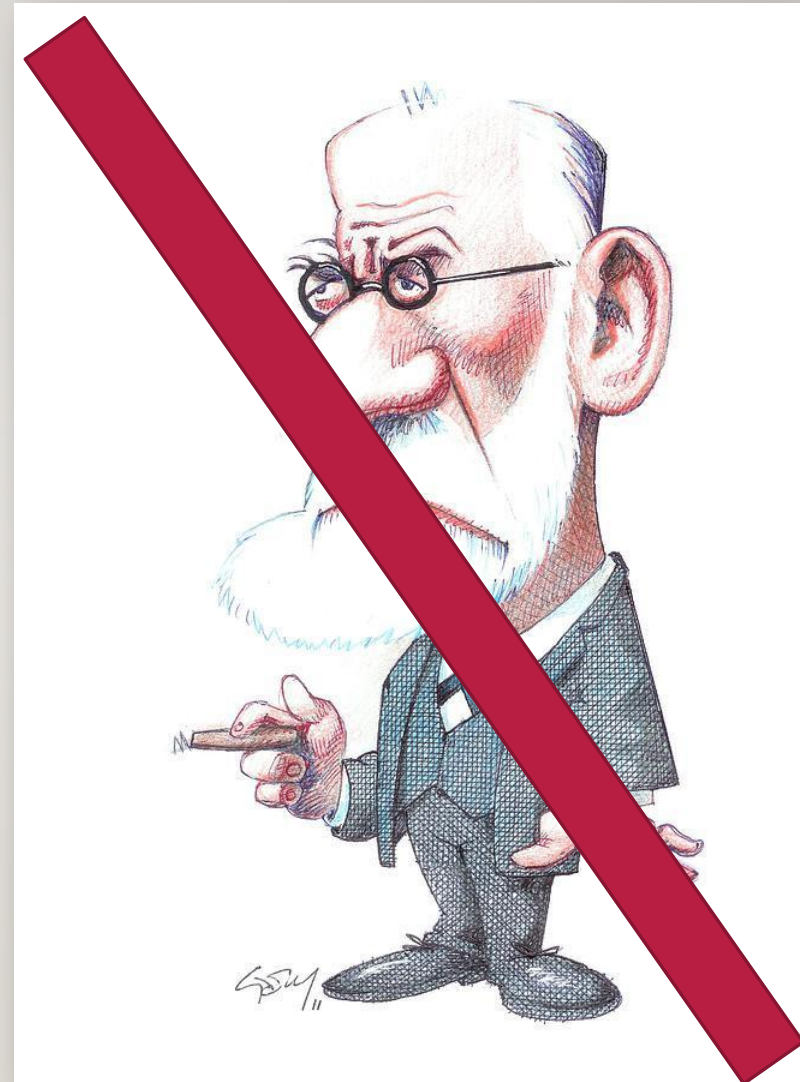
NEO-FREUDIANISM

Horney Challenged Many of Freud's Views

- Penis Envy actually envy of male's power
- Men experience "womb envy"

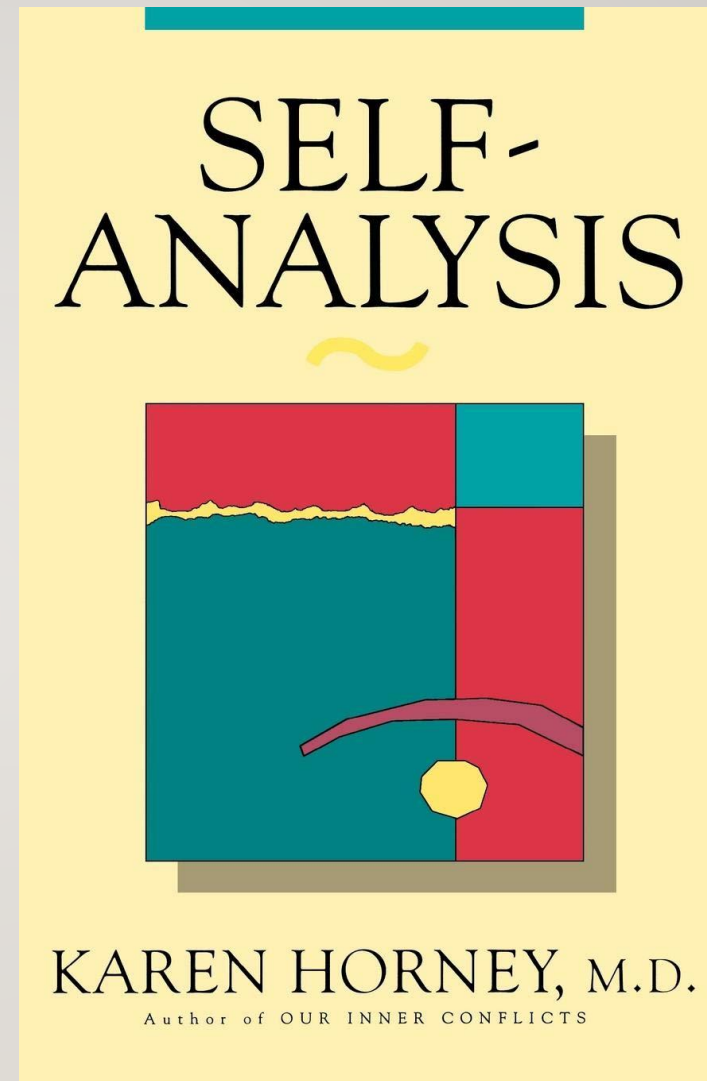
Desexualized Oedipus Complex

- Clinging of one parent due to poor parent-child relationship



SELF-ANALYSIS

- Horney founded the Association for the Development of Psychoanalysis
- Karen Horney became the founder and chief editor of The American Journal of Psychoanalysis.
- In 1942, Karen wrote the book «Self-Analysis»





LAST YEARS OF LIFE

- Until the end of her life, Horney was active
- In November 1952 an exacerbation of a late-diagnosed cancer occurred. December 4, 1952 Karen Horney died.
- As a professional, she devoted all her strength to the development of psychoanalysis, writing books and articles, and working with patients



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