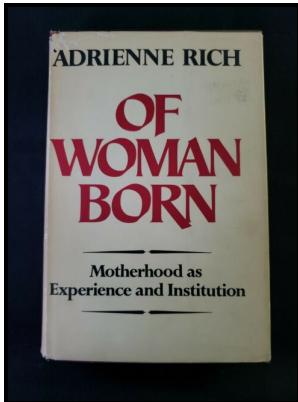


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We do not think of the power stolen from us and the power withheld from us, in the name of the institution of motherhood.

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In effect she was dragging motherhood from the confines of the bedroom or the nursery to the public sphere of intellectual debate. Still, the anger only rises to the surface now as Rich details how motherhood and childbirth were subjugated as people transitioned from matriarchal or equal societies to patriarchy.

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On top of that, the book is filled with autobiographical information which was just out of place in a critical text. At one point in the book, Rich tells a story about a woman who killed and decapitated two of her children in her front yard.

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While historically midwives held and shared their wisdom about the facts of labour, they were stripped of their authority by the figure of the male doctor or gynaecologist, who took precedence. Otherwise, this book made me mad in a good way. BTG BTG, thanks for sharing your insight.

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