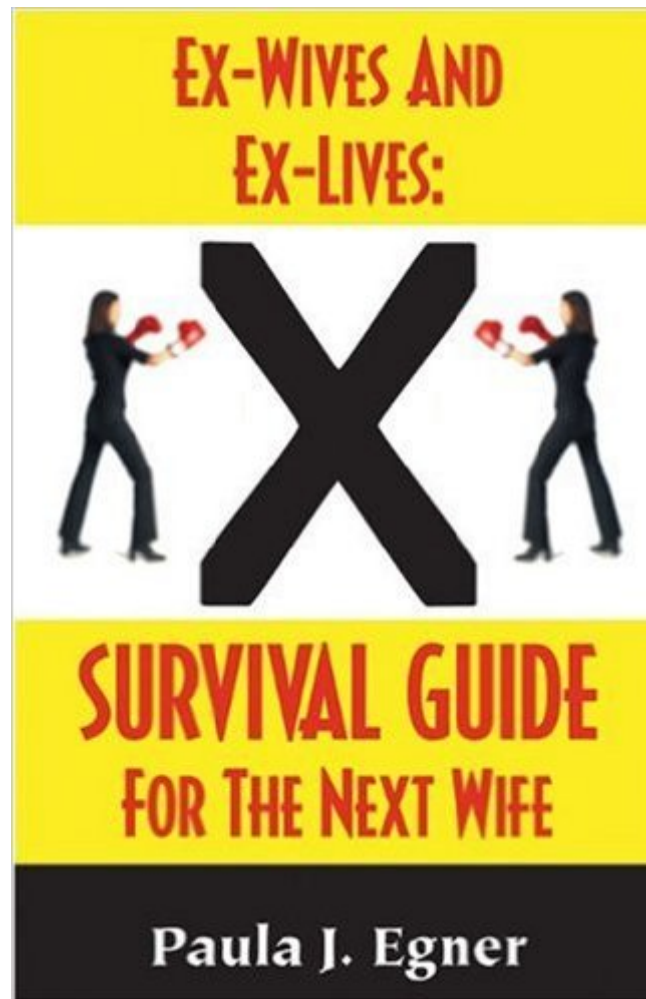


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# Ex-Wives And Ex-Lives: Survival Guide For The Next Wife



## Synopsis

A candid, albeit at times tongue-in-cheek, expose of the challenges facing today's blended family. Written from the next wife's point of view, it delves into the murky waters of step-mothering, climbs the treacherous terrain of reluctant in-laws, and warns the next-wife against tripping in the footsteps of the woman who came first.

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I was never married but my husband was twice-divorced with two kids when we met. His first wife with whom he did not have any kids was a mature and decent woman. His second was a nightmare. Their marriage was doomed from the beginning because of the disparity in temperament and intellect. My husband was single for six years when we got married. Well, I lived in hell for the first two years of my marriage. I was all confused, miserable, and was at a loss as to how to deal with the situation before I read this book. Knowing that there are others facing the same situation and that I was not responsible for my husband's ex and his kids' behavior made me feel stronger. I now put my boundaries firmly for my husband, his over-spoiled kids, and his wicked ex-wife. Things are under control and we live in relative peace now. My advice to women contemplating marriage to men with kids is that BEFORE MARRIAGE make sure that: 1. he puts his priorities right (his life partner should be his first priority) 2. he is supportive of you 3. he has a healthy relationship with his kids which involves love, respect, structure and discipline 4. he is firm with his ex 5. he and you see eye to eye with each other's expectations of marriage Never, ever marry an over-indulgent father

with a bitter ex-wife in the background, unless you are seeking martyrdom, not happiness and companionship. If he cannot keep his baggage from his previous relationships under control, the marriage is not worth saving. Get out while you can and learn from the experience. Remember, only "he" can keep his house in order, not you. And contrary to what some people believe, it's the ex-wives who have to bend over backwards to get along with new wives so that these new wives will treat their step-kids right.

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