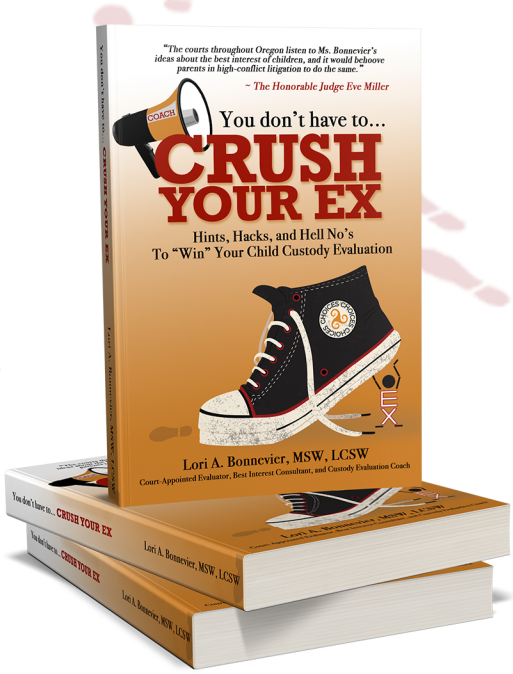
Drop the Battle.
Win the War that Matters.



Vanessa and Luke met in college. Young and ambitious, they fell in love, married, bought a house in the suburbs, and created a perfect family. He worked tirelessly to advance his career, so she could stay home with the children and manage their busy household. For fifteen years, they built a network of friends, family traditions, and an amazing life together. Everything was going great until it wasn't. Now, they are facing a very painful divorce and a custody battle over two children both parents adore.

Family members, friends, and legal professionals– everyone has an opinion about how to come out on top.

In *You Don't Have to Crush Your Ex*, Lori Bonnevier—a clinical social worker and seasoned child custody evaluator—invites you to walk beside Vanessa and Luke, as they face challenges similar to yours. You will have the unique opportunity to make choices about divorce, your children, and how to participate in a custody evaluation to achieve the best outcome. Through this insightful and witty choose-your-own-outcome-style story, Lori shares her twenty years of trade secrets to help you navigate the complex and often-thorny experience of participating in family law litigation.

By the end of the book, you will know how to:

- Present your best self to a child custody evaluator.
- Protect your child's emotional health and well-being.
- Keep your sanity and thrive on the other side.
- Discern which attorneys will hurt or help your efforts.
- Acquire resources to manage specific challenges.
- Save your family time and money.

Lori Bonnevier, a court-appointed evaluator and child advocate for more than two decades, helps parents effectively navigate high-conflict custody battles.

@ChildFocusedChoices
www.childfocused.net