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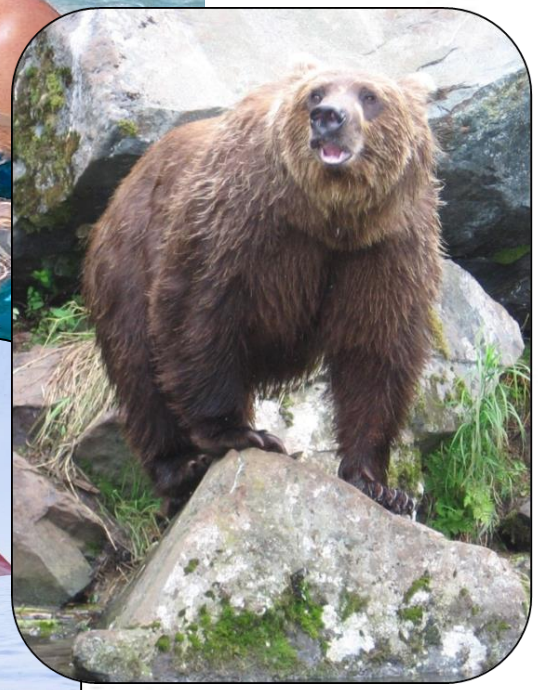

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▾ **Week 2 Personal Values, Beliefs & Meanings**

Week 2 Personal Values and Beliefs: Instructions

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Sep 24 | 150 pts

▾ **Week 3 Aging, Loss & Grief**

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Oct 1 | 70 pts

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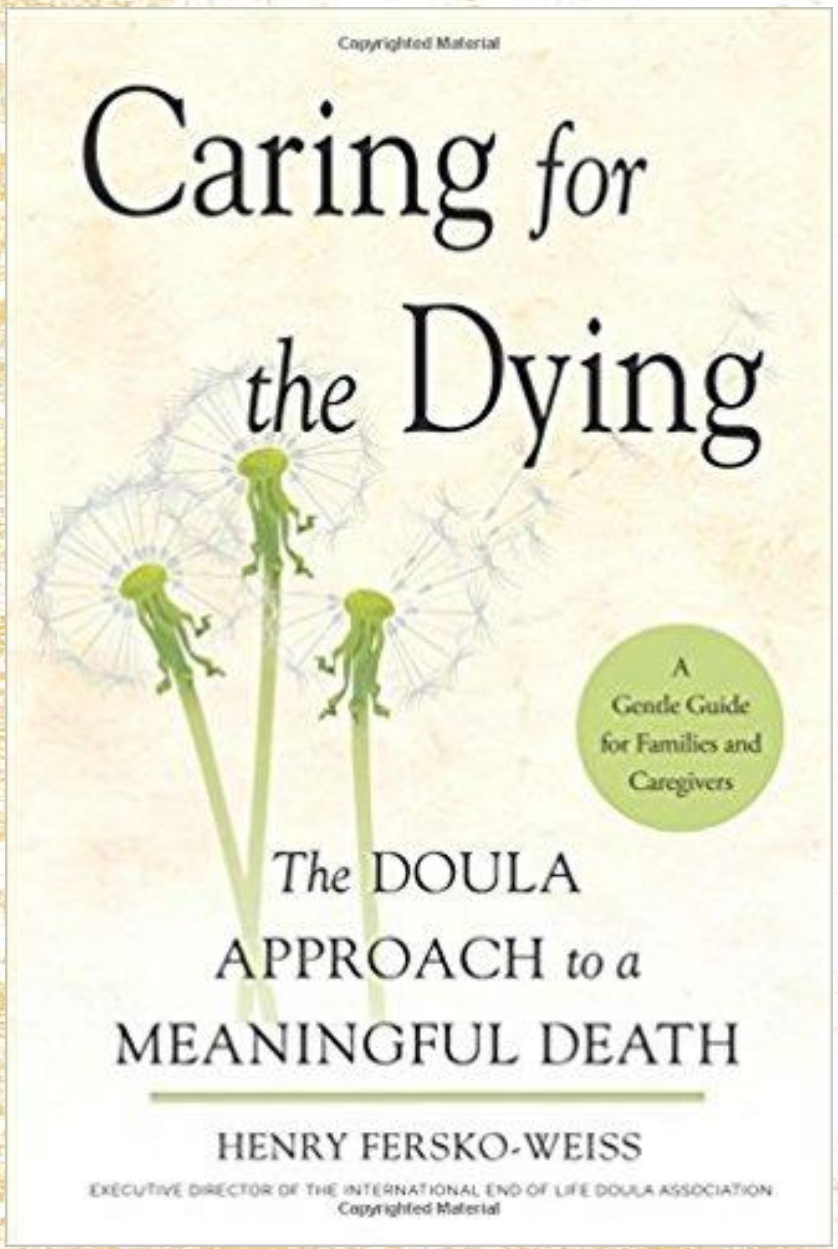
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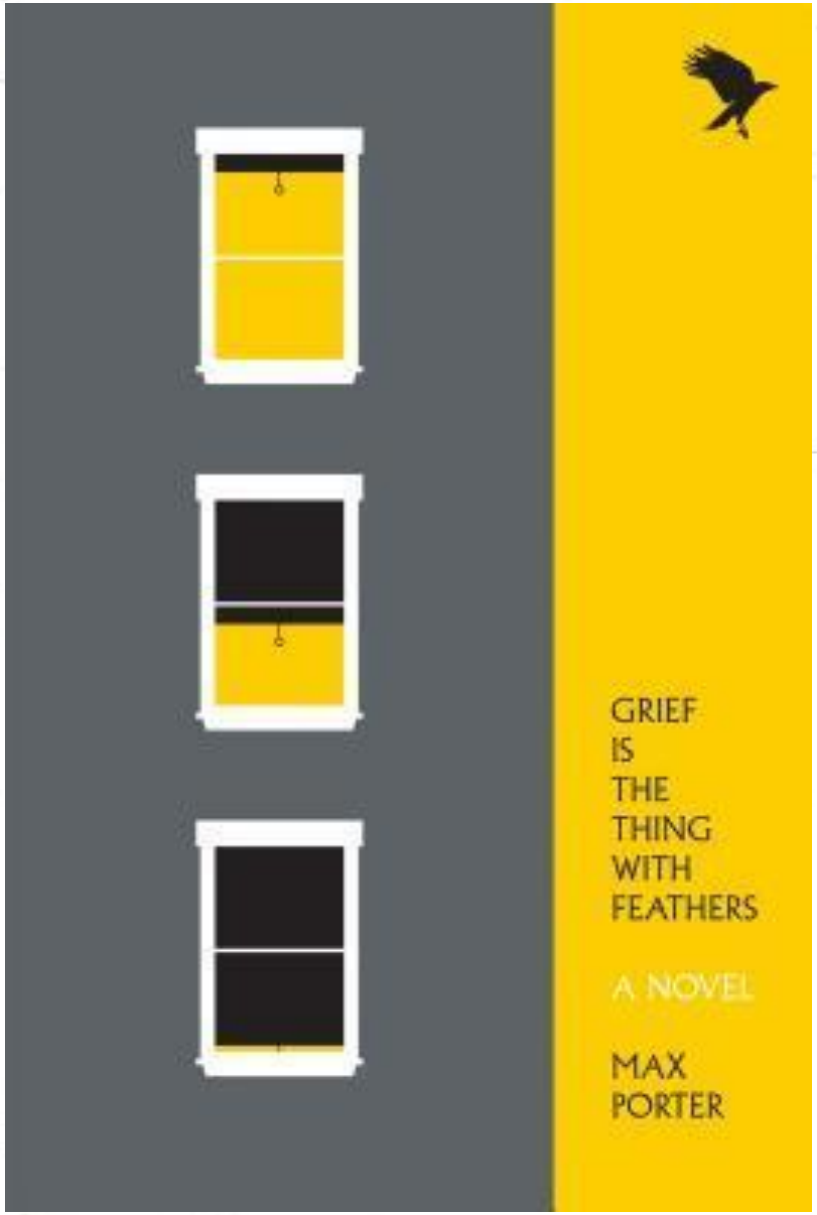
GRIEF IS THE THING WITH FEATHERS
A NOVEL
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Required readings:

Chast The New Yorker, March 10, 2014.pdf (12 pgs)

Insight into death attitudes MNT2016.pdf (4 pgs)

Moschella Spir autobio & older adults.pdf (5 pgs)

Nelson-Becker - Memory Dementia & Spir Care.pdf (15 pgs)

Nelson-Becker - Social gerontology.pdf (4 pgs)

Nelson-Becker - Successful Aging.pdf (4 pgs)

Petrou - Grandma has a boyfriend at 90 - HP2017.pdf (7 pgs)

Turesky & Schultz spir in older adults.pdf (19 pgs)

Introduction

Cultural issues impact on
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Conclusions

This is the first review of the literature invest
Hasidic populations. Despite, at times sig
reviewed studies reveal that Hasidic Jews e
relation to illness and health care across a va
unconsidered by these authors, indicates th
groups may express similar beliefs and beha
in-depth analysis of Hasidic thought and pra
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specific religious and sociocultural characteri

Study Findings

Although the reviewed studies are diverse in subject matter, methods, level of analysis and quality, making it difficult to draw overall conclusions concerning the health care behaviours and beliefs of Hasidic Jews, several themes emerge:

Spiritual Healing

Methods

Several methods were used to identify relevant research articles. Firstly, we searched the databases AMED, CINAHL Plus, EMBASE, OVID MEDLINE (R) and PsycINFO individually from the earliest to the most recent issue relative to the search date (April week 4 2010) using each of the following keywords and phrases: (C)has(s)idic, (c)haredi, ultra-orthodox Jew(ish), and orthodox Jew
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professional guidance. During the early stages of article identification, papers remained eligible for inclusion if they reported on an empirical investigation into health care behaviours or beliefs in a Hasidic, haredi, ultra-orthodox or orthodox Jewish sample. Where the sample was described as haredi, ultra-orthodox or orthodox Jewish, the authors were asked whether participants were known to have been Hasidic. Where all or some were, the paper was included. Where only some

Week 2 Personal Values and Beliefs

Submit Assignment

Due Sep 24 by 11:59pm **Points** 150
Submitting a text entry box or a file upload

In this assignment, we explore the embedded beliefs and values that we may hold—often without being aware of them—around loss, grief, dying and death. In this course, we'll use Fersko-Weiss' language, calling this "our own personal *mythology* about death and dying" (39, italics added). As spiritual caregivers, it's critical that we're aware of our mythologies around loss, grief, dying and death so that we can maintain a self-differentiated stance in relationship with care seekers. In other words, we want to appropriately manage our own emotional responses to the care seeker's situation, and we want to honor the care seeker's mythology by not imposing our beliefs and values on him or her.

Use the required readings to help you reflect on your own mythologies around loss, grief, dying and death. As you review the Frank article, ask yourself why

Week 7 Interviews

Extra Credit Reflections

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