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Love's Executioner, Irvin Yalom

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As students about to enter English 4, Level 3 Lit Psy in August, please read this collection of ten compelling true-life tales of therapy. In uncovering his patients' problems, Irvin Yalom not only gives us a rare glimpse into their personal desires and motivations, but also tells us his own story as he struggles to reconcile his all-too-human responses with his sensibility as a therapist.

“I do not like to work with patients who are in love. Perhaps it is because of envy—I, too, crave enchantment. Perhaps it is because love and therapy are fundamentally incompatible. The good therapist fights darkness and seeks illumination, while romantic love is sustained by mystery and crumbles upon inspection. I hate to be love's executioner.”

