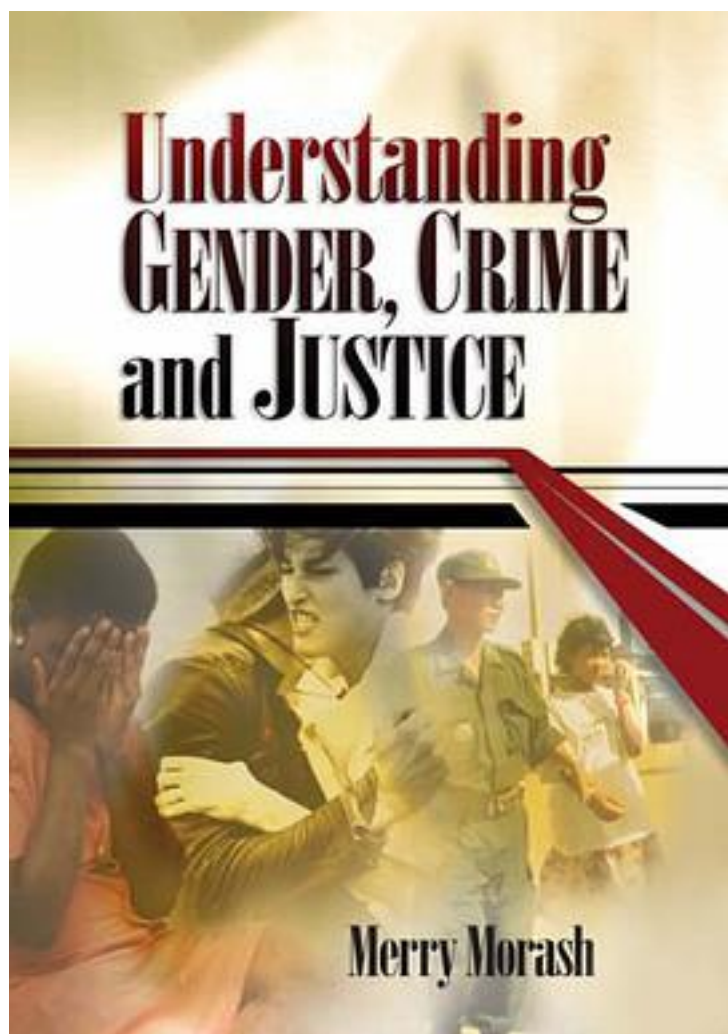


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Why are there pronounced gender differences in rates of criminal victimization? Does

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