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A writer and philosopher, she was born in Sweden and educated in Switzerland and France before coming to the United States. She received her Ph.D. at Harvard University in 1970 and holds honorary doctorates from Mount Holyoke College, George Washington University, Clark University, the University of Massachusetts, and Georgetown University. She has received the Radcliffe Society Graduate medal, the Barnard College Medal of Distinction, the Hastings Center Henry Knowles Beecher Award, and the Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Centennial Award. Most recently she has received the St. Botolph Foundation Award for Distinction in Literature (2002).

With John Behnke, Bok has co-edited the *Dilemmas of Euthanasia* (1975) and with Daniel Callahan, *Ethics Teaching in Higher Education* (1980). She is co-author, most recently, with Gerald Dworkin and R.G. Frey of *Euthanasia and Physician-Assisted Suicide*. Other books include: *Lying: Moral Choice in Private and Public Life* (1978), for which she received the George Orwell Award and the Melcher Book Award; *Secrets: On the Ethics of Concealment and Revelation* (1982); *A Strategy for Peace: Human Values and the Threat of War* (1989); *Alva Myrdal: A Daughter's Memoir* (1991), for which she received the Melcher Book Award; *Common Values* (1996) and *Mayhem: Violence as Public Entertainment* (1998).

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