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**Q:** If Bill W. wrote the Big Book, why does the chapter "To Wives" contain a paragraph beginning "We women"?

**A:** According to *'Pass It On'* (p. 200), the biography of Bill W, Lois said of that chapter, " 'Bill wrote it, and I was mad.' She added, 'I wasn't so much mad as hurt. I still don't know why Bill wrote it. I've never really gotten into it — why he insisted upon writing it. I said to him, "Well, do you want me to write it?" And he said no, he thought it should be in the same style as the rest of the book.' "

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