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This book provides a truly comprehensive analysis of the 2013 federal election in Australia, which brought the conservative Abbott government to power, consigned the fractious Labor Party to the Opposition benches and ended the 'hung parliament' experiment of 2010–13 in which the Greens and three independents lent their support to form a minority Labor government.

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