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the often transnational art of negotiating identities. Laura Hirvi's rich ethnographic account brings to the fore how the construction of

identities is a creative process that is conditioned and infiltrated by questions of power. Identities in Practice will appeal to scholars who are interested in the study of cultures, identities, migration, religion, and transnationalism."