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Sommario/riassunto	Through a detailed unpacking of the castaway genre's appeal in English literature, Empire Islands forwards our understanding of the sociopsychology of British Empire. Rebecca Weaver-Hightower argues convincingly that by helping generations of readers to make sense of, and perhaps feel better about, imperial aggression, the castaway story in effect enabled the expansion and maintenance of European empire.

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