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Sommario/riassunto	Recapturing the celebratory voice of Africa in poems that are both contemporary and traditional, Liberian-born Patricia Jabbeh Wesley weaves lyrical storytelling with oral history and images of Africa and America, revealing powerful insights about the relationship between strength and tragedy-and finding reason to celebrate even in the

presence of war, difficulties, and death. Rooted in myths that can be traced to the Grebo tradition, *Becoming Ebony* portrays Liberian-born Wesley's experiences of village talk and civil war as well as her experiences of the pain of her mother

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