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Sommario/riassunto	Parker Shipton brings a variety of perspectives-cultural, economic, political, and religious-philosophical-and years of field experience to this fascinating study about people who borrow and lend in the interior of Africa. His conclusions challenge the conventional wisdom of the past half century (including perennial World Bank orthodoxy) about the need for credit among African farming people.

