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forms, poetry, and genre storytelling, and in so doing created works that raised the consciousness of a generation. Examining feminist print culture from its structures and systems to defining texts by Margaret Atwood and Alice Walker, *This Book Is an Action* suggests untapped possibilities for the critical and aesthetic analysis of the diverse range of literary production during feminism's second wave"--

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