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Written sources from the ancient Near East and eastern Mediterranean, from the third to the first millennia BC, provide a wealth of terms for textiles. The twenty-two chapters in the present volume offer the first comprehensive survey of this important material, with special attention to evidence for significant interconnections in textile terminology among languages and cultures, across space and time. For example, the Greek word for a long shirt, *khiton* , *ki-to* in Linear B, derives from a Semitic root, *ktn* . But the same root in Akkadian means linen, in Old Assyrian a garment made of wool, a

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