Record Nr. UNINA9910463685203321 Autore Chirico Rob Titolo Damn!: a cultural history of swearing in modern America / / Rob Chirico; foreword by Keith Allan Durham, North Carolina:,: Pitchstone Publishing,, 2014 Pubbl/distr/stampa ©2014 **ISBN** 1-939578-20-5 1-939578-76-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (185 p.) 394 Disciplina Soggetti English language - United States - Obscene words - History English language - United States - Obscene words English language - United States - Swear words - History English language - United States - Swear words Swearing - United States - History Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di contenuto Front Cover; Title Page; Half Title; Copyright; Contents; Foreword by Keith Allan; Introduction: Frankly, My Dear, I Do Give a Damn!; 1. What's in a Dirty Word?; 2. What's Sex Got to Do with It?; 3. You're in the Fucking Army Now!; 4. Swearing, a Game Anyone Can Play; 5. All the News That's Fit to Print; 6. You've Got to Be Carefully Taught; 7. You Have the Words, My Dear, but I'm Afraid You'll Never Master the Tune: 8. Word on the Street; 9. Is Nothing Sacrilegious ... Yet?; Appendix: Bird is the Word; Acknowledgments; Notes; Index; About the Author Sommario/riassunto Swearing, cussing, or cursing, out of anger, excitement, or just because, is something most of us do, at least to some degree. Turn on the television or open a magazine, and there it is. Damn! is an insightful and entertaining look at our evolving use of profanity over the last half-century or so, from a time when Gone with the Wind came under fire for using the word "damn" to an age where the f-bomb is dropped in all walks of life. Writer and artist Rob Chirico follows the course of swearing through literature, the media, and music, as well as

through our daily lives. From back rooms and barr