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Sommario/riassunto	It has been over two decades since Samuel P. Huntington, a Harvard political scientist, first published his famous essay, "The Clash of Civilizations?" In the essay, and later in his book with the same title (minus the question mark), Huntington argues that conflict in the post-Cold War era will be driven largely by irreconcilable cultural and religious differences, particularly in regards to Islam and the West. The conflict between these two civilizations, while not new, is bound to persist in large part because Islam is prone to violence. Much of the global conflict that exists in the modern world, observes Huntington, involves Muslims... The influence of Huntington's article on Western political and public discourse concerning Islam and its relationship to the West cannot be underestimated and these essays are dedicated to reconsidering his thesis.