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Sommario/riassunto	This book explores the concept of joy in Judaism, as articulated by Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks. It delves into Rabbi Sacks' teachings on joy,

examining how it is not simply the absence of pain but a state to be cultivated alongside life's challenges. The work highlights Rabbi Sacks' belief in joy as a skill requiring practice and attention to life's details. The editors, Erica Brown and Shira Weiss, compile reflections on how joy is created through sharing and building connections with others, bridging gaps within Jewish communities and across different faiths. The book is intended for those interested in Jewish thought, philosophy, and the teachings of Rabbi Sacks.
