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Mandela), to examine the representation and experience of

imprisonment in South African prison memoirs and Shakespeare's

Hamlet. It looks at the ways in which oppressive spaces or circumstances restrict...