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Sommario/riassunto	Sidonie Smith and Julia Watson offer a concise yet far-reaching overview of key terms, issues, histories, and texts in life narrative studies. Reading Autobiography is a step-by-step introduction to the differences of self-narrative from fiction and biography; the components of autobiographical acts; such core concepts as memory, experience, identity, agency, and the body; the textual and critical history of the field; and prospects for future research. Organized as a user-friendly handbook, it includes a glossary of key words, suggestions for teaching, and extensive primary and secondary bibl