

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910785637503321
Autore	Trevor-Roper H. R (Hugh Redwald), <1914-2003.>
Titolo	The invention of Scotland [[electronic resource]] : myth and history // Hugh Trevor-Roper
Pubbl/distr/stampa	New Haven [Conn.], : Yale University Press, c2008
ISBN	0-300-17653-8
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (304 p.)
Classificazione	HD 405
Disciplina	941.10072
Soggetti	National characteristics, Scottish - Historiography Scotland Historiography Scotland Civilization Historiography Scotland History
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references (p. [237]-267) and index.
Nota di contenuto	The political myth. Scotia's rise to glory? -- George Buchanan -- Buchanan's nemesis -- The literary myth. The search for a Celtic Homer -- James Macpherson and Fingal -- The controversy over Ossian -- The sartorial myth. The coming of the kilt -- The tartan.
Sommario/riassunto	This book argues that while Anglo-Saxon culture has given rise to virtually no myths at all, myth has played a central role in the historical development of Scottish identity. Hugh Trevor-Roper explores three myths across 400 years of Scottish history: the political myth of the "ancient constitution" of Scotland; the literary myth, including Walter Scott as well as Ossian and ancient poetry; and the sartorial myth of tartan and the kilt, invented-ironically, by Englishmen-in quite modern times. Trevor-Roper reveals myth as an often deliberate cultural construction used to enshrine a people's identity. While his treatment of Scottish myth is highly critical, indeed debunking, he shows how the ritualization and domestication of Scotland's myths as local color diverted the Scottish intelligentsia from the path that led German intellectuals to a dangerous myth of racial supremacy. This compelling manuscript was left unpublished on Trevor-Roper's death in 2003 and is now made available for the first time. Written with characteristic elegance, lucidity, and wit, and containing defiant and challenging

opinions, it will absorb and provoke Scottish readers while intriguing many others. "I believe that the whole history of Scotland has been coloured by myth; and that myth, in Scotland, is never driven out by reality, or by reason, but lingers on until another myth has been discovered, or elaborated, to replace it." -Hugh Trevor-Roper

2. Record Nr.	UNINA9910782085703321
Autore	Van Wyck Peter C
Titolo	Signs of danger [[electronic resource]] : waste, trauma, and nuclear threat / / Peter C. van Wyck
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Minneapolis, : University of Minnesota Press, c2005
ISBN	0-8166-9259-9
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (180 p.)
Collana	Theory out of bounds ; ; v. 26
Disciplina	304.2/8
Soggetti	Radioactive wastes - Environmental aspects Radioactive waste disposal in the ground Threat (Psychology) Psychic trauma Signs and symbols
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references (p. [131]-145) and index.
Nota di contenuto	Contents; Preface; Introduction; Waste; Dangerous Signs; Threat and Trauma; Appendix: A WIPP Chronology; Notes; Index
Sommario/riassunto	Focusing on the government's nuclear waste burial program in Carlsbad, New Mexico, Signs of Danger begins the urgent work of finding a new way of thinking about ecological threat in our time. The reflections at the center of this book-on memory, trauma, disaster, representation, and the virtual-offer invaluable insights into the interface of where culture ends and nature begins.