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Drawing on critical and theoretical material by thinkers as diverse as Jacques Derrida, Frantz Fanon, Mahatma Gandhi, and Julia Kristeva, Julie McGonegal supplements indigenous models and approaches with

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