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Sommario/riassunto	Prior to the latest Chief Rabbinical selection process, seven eminent rabbis were appointed to British Jewry's highest ecclesiastical post, although only six were installed and saw out their terms of office. The manner of their appointment was invariably coloured by intrigue, in-fighting and a host of other influences, not least an increasingly potent input by the dayanim of the London Beth Din, themselves not immune to strategic self-interest. Meir Persoff's scholarly yet accessible account of these seven appointments draws on a wealth of hitherto unaccessed and unpublished material, and on the stories of many of the protagonists involved, including in fascinating detail those who, by fair means and foul, failed to gain (or chose to reject) the coveted prize.

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Nota di contenuto	Cosmology and religion: measurement and meaning -- Astrology: the celestial mirror -- Australia: the dreaming -- Oceania: navigating the sky -- North Americas: the Great Spirit -- South and Central America: salvation and sacrifice -- Sub-Saharan Africa: heaven on earth -- Egypt: the solar society -- China: the celestial offices -- India: ancient traditions and modern practice -- Babylon: signs in the sky -- The Jews: myth, magic, and transcendence -- Classical Greece: ascent to the stars -- Christianity: influence and transcendence -- Islam: faith and reason -- Theosophical, new age, and pagan cosmologies: nature and transformation.
Sommario/riassunto	When you think of astrology, you may think of the horoscope section in your local paper, or of Nancy Reagan's consultations with an astrologer in the White House in the 1980's. Yet almost every religion uses some form of astrology: some way of thinking about the sun, moon, stars,

and planets and how they hold significance for human lives on earth. Astrology and Cosmology in the World's Religions offers an accessible overview of the astrologies of the world's religions, placing them into context within theories of how the wider universe came into being and operates. Campion traces beliefs about the heavens among peoples ranging from ancient Egypt and China, to Australia and Polynesia, and India and the Islamic world. Addressing each religion in a separate chapter, Campion outlines how, by observing the celestial bodies, people have engaged with the divine, managed the future, and attempted to understand events here on earth. This fascinating text offers a unique way to delve into comparative religions and will also appeal to those intrigued by New Age topics.

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