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Sommario/riassunto	A growing body of research informs us that an effective, efficient fight against chronic American poverty, producing benefits far exceeding costs, is possible. It begins by protecting children from developmental risks. This book describes those risks, along with the programs and policies we know protect children and families. A policy framework for the pursuit of an intrepid new goal - the purposeful protection of America's most vulnerable children on a large scale - would end chronic poverty as we know it.