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Sommario/riassunto	Fengshu Liu situates the lives of Chinese youth and the growth of the Internet against the backdrop of rapid and profound social transformation in China. In 2008, the total of Internet users in China had reached 253 million (in comparison with 22.5 million in 2001). Yet, despite rapid growth, the Internet in China is so far a predominantly urban-youth phenomenon, with young people under thirty (especially

those under twenty-four), mostly members of the only-child generation, as the main group of the netizens' population. As both youth and the Internet hold the potential to inflict, or at le
