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a more general failure.

the book questions what is it that may be perceived in the destruction of art and how we understand it, and further how it might be linked to