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range of his nonfiction essays, his many book reviews, and even several unpublished works. These essays engage Johnson's work from a variety

of critical perspectives, revealing the philoso