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Sommario/riassunto	The Rise and Fall of Human Rights provides a groundbreaking ethnographic investigation of the Palestinian human rights world-its NGOs, activists, and ""victims,"" as well as their politics, training, and discourse-since 1979. Though human rights activity began as a means of struggle against the Israeli occupation, it has since been professionalized and politicized, transformed into a public relations tool for political legitimization and state-making.In failing to end the Israeli occupation, protect basic human rights, or establish an accountable Palestinian government, the