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In a magisterial work of narrative nonfiction that weaves together the racially fraught history of public education in Milwaukee and the broader story of hypersegregation in the rust belt, Lessons from the Heartland tells of an iconic city's fall from grace-and of its chance for redemption in the twenty-first century. A symbol of middle American working-class values and pride, Wisconsin-and in particular urban Milwaukee-has been at the forefront of a half-century of public education experiments, from desegregation and ?school choice," to vouchers and charter schools. Pickin