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Sommario/riassunto	Modern capitalism favors values that undermine our face-to-face bonds with friends and family members. Focusing on the post-communist world, and comparing it to more ""developed"" societies, this book reveals the mixed effects of capitalist culture on interpersonal relationships. While most observers blame the egoism

and asocial behavior found in new free-market societies on their communist pasts, this work shows how relationships are also threatened by the profit orientations and personal ambition unleashed by economic development. Successful people in societies as diverse as China, Russia

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