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Sommario/riassunto	Joanna Brooks reveals the harsh realities behind seventeenth- and eighteenth-century working-class English emigration-and dismantles the idea that these immigrants were drawn to America as a land of opportunity. Brooks follows American folk ballads back across the Atlantic, uncovering an archaeology of the worldviews of America's

earliest immigrants and a haunting historical perspective on the
ancestors we thought we knew.
