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The idea of "The Green Book" is to

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***give the Motorist and Tourist a
Guide not only of the Hotels and
Tourist Homes in all of the large
cities, but other classifications that
will be found useful wherever he
may be. Also facts and information
that the Negro Motorist can use and
depend upon. There are thousands***

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***of places that the public doesn't
know about and aren't listed.***

***Perhaps you know of some? If so
send in their names and addresses
and the kind of business, so that we
might pass it along to the rest of
your fellow Motorists. You will find
it handy on your travels, whether at***

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home or in some other state, and is up to date. Each year we are compiling new lists as some of these places move, or go out of business and new business places are started giving added employment to members of our race.

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***Prosperity in Rural Africa?
addresses questions related to
tracking economic development in
poor rural areas in the face of
scarce data. The chapters collect
insights and experience into the
dynamics of rural societies in
Tanzania, demonstrating that***

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***economic data can render
development in these regions
invisible.***

***The development of Africa's oil has
greatly accelerated in recent years,
with some countries looking at the
prospect of almost unimaginable
flows of money into their national***

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budgets. But the story of African oil has usually been associated with conflict, corruption and disaster, with older producers such as Nigeria having little to show for the many billions of dollars they've earned. In this eye-opening book, former BBC correspondent Celeste

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Hicks questions the inevitability of the so-called resource curse, revealing what the discovery of oil means for ordinary Africans, and how China's involvement could mean a profound change in Africa's relationship with the West. A much-needed account of an issue that will

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likely transform the fortunes of a number of African countries – for better or for worse.

Africa is forever on our TV screens, but the bad-news stories (famine, genocide, corruption) massively outweigh the good (South Africa). Ever since the process of

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decolonialisation began in the mid-1950s, and arguably before, the continent has appeared to be stuck in a process of irreversible decline. Constant war, improper use of natural resources and misappropriation of revenues and aid monies contribute to an

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impression of a continent beyond hope. How did we get here? What, if anything, is to be done? Weaving together the key stories and characters of the last fifty years into a stunningly compelling and coherent narrative, Martin Meredith has produced the definitive history

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***of how European ideas of how to
organise 10,000 different ethnic
groups has led to what Tony Blair
described as the 'scar on the
conscience of the world'.***

***Authoritative, provocative and
consistently fascinating, this is a
major book on one of the most***

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*important issues facing the West
today.*
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*How 900 Million African Consumers
Offer More Than You Think*

Drawn to Enchant

Travels with Fortune

*A 5000-Year History of Wealth,
Greed, and Endeavor*

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**An Emerging Continent Becomes a
Global Powerhouse**
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A Handbook

*With more than 900
million consumers, the
continent of Africa is*

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*one of the world's
fastest growing markets.
In Africa Rising,
renowned global business
consultant Vijay Mahajan
reveals this remarkable
marketplace as a*

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*continent with massive
needs and surprising
buying power. Crossing
thousands of miles
across the continent, he
shares the lessons that
Africa's businesses have*

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*learned about succeeding
on the continent...shows
how global companies are
succeeding despite
Africa's unique
political, economic, and
resource*

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*challenges...introduces
local entrepreneurs and
foreign investors who
are building a
remarkable spectrum of
profitable and
sustainable business*

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*opportunities even in
the most challenging
locations...reveals how
India and China are
staking out huge
positions throughout
Africa...and shows the*

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*power of the diaspora in
driving investment and
development. Recognize
that Africa is richer
than you think Africa is
richer than India on the
basis of gross national*

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*income (GNI) per capita,
and a dozen African
countries have a higher
GNI per capita than
China. Aim for Africa
Two Opportunities exist
in all parts of the*

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*market, particularly the
400 million people in
the middle of the
market. Find
opportunities to
organize the market From
retailing to cell phones*

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*to banking, companies
are succeeding by
building infrastructure.
Develop strategies for
the most youthful market
in the world Companies
are recognizing*

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*opportunities from
diapers to music to
medicine in a market
growing younger every
day. Understand that
Africa is not a "media
dark" continent From*

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*Nollywood to satellite
to broadband, media is
exploding on the
continent. Recognize the
hidden strength of the
African diaspora The
African diaspora brings*

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*resources and knowledge
to African development
and expands the African
opportunity beyond the
continent. Build Ubuntu
markets Create
profitable businesses,*

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*sustainable growth, and
social organizations by
meeting basic human
needs.*

*Africa has been coveted
for its riches ever
since the era of the*

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*Pharaohs. In past
centuries, it was the
lure of gold, ivory, and
slaves that drew fortune-
seekers, merchant-
adventurers, and
conquerors from afar. In*

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*modern times, the focus
of attention is on oil,
diamonds, and other
valuable minerals. Land
was another prize. The
Romans relied on their
colonies in northern*

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*Africa for vital grain
shipments to feed the
population of Rome. Arab
invaders followed in
their wake, eventually
colonizing the entire
region. More recently,*

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*foreign corporations
have acquired huge
tracts of land to secure
food supplies needed
abroad, just as the
Romans did. In this vast
and vivid panorama of*

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*history, Martin Meredith
follows the fortunes of
Africa over a period of
5,000 years. With
compelling narrative, he
traces the rise and fall
of ancient kingdoms and*

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*empires; the spread of
Christianity and Islam;
the enduring quest for
gold and other riches;
the exploits of
explorers and
missionaries; and the*

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*impact of European
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colonization. He*

*examines, too, the fate
of modern African states
and concludes with a
glimpse of their future.
His cast of characters*

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*includes religious
leaders, mining
magnates, warlords,
dictators, and many
other legendary
figures--among them
Mansa Musa, ruler of the*

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medieval Mali empire,
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said to be the richest
man the world has ever
known. "I speak of
Africa," Shakespeare
wrote, "and of golden
joys." This is history

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on an epic scale.

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professor of economics
at MIT and a Harvard
University political
scientist and economist
evaluate the reasons

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*that some nations are
poor while others
succeed, outlining
provocative perspectives
that support theories
about the importance of
institutions.*

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*This volume presents
over 200 selected
original artworks from
the collection of Betsy
Beinecke Shirley, one of
the great collectors of
American children's*

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*literature. Shirley
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gathered an
authoritative collection
of books, original
illustrations,
manuscripts, as well as
drawings and paintings*

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*from such children's
classics as 'Treasure
Island' and 'Eloise.'
The artwork in Shirley's
collection guides the
reader on a tour through
the stages of childhood*

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*reading, this volume
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begins with ABC's and
nursery books. It
continues through
adventure stories,
magazines, and more,
then concludes with a*

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*miscellany section of
odds and ends. The
images demonstrate how
children's books
evolved, from the
nation's first days of
independence to modern*

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*times. Artists whose
works are represented
include many of the
favorites, among them
Ludwig Bemelmans,
Maurice Sendak, A.B.
Frost, Wanda Gag, Peter*

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*Newell, N.C. Wyeth, Tony
Sarg, Robert Lawson, and
Johnny Gruelle.*

*Why Aid Is Not Working
and How There Is a
Better Way for Africa
The State of Africa*

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Continent Over Fifty

Centuries

Insights Into Wealth,

Assets, and Poverty from

Longitudinal Studies in

Tanzania

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The Scramble For Africa

Why Nations Fail

Power, Pipelines and

Future Fortunes

**By the time the “Scramble for
Africa” among European
colonial powers began in the**

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**late nineteenth century, Africa
had already been globally
connected for centuries. Its
gold had fueled the economies
of Europe and the Islamic
world for nearly a millennium,
and the sophisticated**

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**kingdoms spanning its west
coast had traded with
Europeans since the fifteenth
century. Until at least 1650,
this was a trade of equals,
using a variety of
currencies—most importantly,**

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**cowrie shells imported from
the Maldives and nzimbu shells
imported from Brazil. But, as
the slave trade grew, African
kingdoms began to lose
prominence in the growing
global economy. We have been**

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**living with the effects of this
shift ever since. With A Fistful
of Shells, Toby Green
transforms our view of West
and West-Central Africa by
reconstructing the world of
these kingdoms, which**

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**revolved around trade,
diplomacy, complex religious
beliefs, and the production of
art. Green shows how the slave
trade led to economic
disparities that caused African
kingdoms to lose relative**

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**political and economic power.
The concentration of money in
the hands of Atlantic elites in
and outside these kingdoms
brought about a revolutionary
nineteenth century in Africa,
parallel to the upheavals then**

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**taking place in Europe and
America. Yet political
fragmentation following the
fall of African aristocracies
produced radically different
results as European
colonization took hold.**

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Drawing not just on written histories, but on archival research in nine countries, art, oral history, archaeology, and letters, Green lays bare the transformations that have shaped world politics and the

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**global economy since the
fifteenth century and paints a
new and masterful portrait of
West Africa, past and present.
AFRICA IS FAILING. AFRICA
IS SUCCEEDING. Africa is
betraying its citizens. Africa is**

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**a place of starvation,
corruption, disease. African
economies are soaring faster
than any on earth. Africa is
squandering its bountiful
resources. Africa is a roadmap
for global development. Africa**

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**is turbulent. Africa is
stabilising. Africa is doomed.
Africa is the future. All of
these pronouncements prove
equally true and false, as
South African journalists
Richard Poplak and Kevin**

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**Bloom discover on their 9-year
roadtrip through the
paradoxical continent they call
home. From pillaged mines in
Zimbabwe to the creation of an
economic marketplace in
Ethiopia; from Namibia's**

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**middle class to the
technological challenges
facing Nollywood in the 21st
Century; from China's
investment in Botswana to the
rush for resources in the
Congo; and from the birth of**

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**Africa's newest country, South
Sudan, to the worsening
conflict in CAR, here are eight
adventures on the trail of a
new Africa. Part detective
story, part report from this
economic frontier, Continental**

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**Shift follows the money as it
flows through Chinese coffers
to international
conglomerates, to heads of
state, to ordinary African
citizens, all of whom are intent
on defining a metamorphosing**

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continent.

In 1880 the continent of Africa was largely unexplored by Europeans. Less than thirty years later, only Liberia and Ethiopia remained unconquered by them. The rest

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**- 10 million square miles with
110 million bewildered new
subjects - had been carved up
by five European powers (and
one extraordinary individual)
in the name of Commerce,
Christianity, 'Civilization' and**

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Conquest. The Scramble for Africa is the first full-scale study of that extraordinary episode in history.

For too long Africa's mineral fortune has been lamented as a resource curse that has led to

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**conflict rather than
development for much of the
continent. Yet times are
changing and the
opportunities to bring
technical expertise on modern
mining alongside appropriate**

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**governance mechanisms for
social development are
becoming more accessible in
Africa. This book synthesizes
perspectives from multiple
disciplines to address Africa's
development goals in relation**

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**to its mineral resources. The
authors cover ways of
addressing a range of policy
challenges, environmental
concerns, and public health
impacts and also consider the
role of globalization within the**

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**extractive industries. Academic
research is coupled with key
field vignettes from
practitioners exemplifying case
studies throughout. The book
summarizes the challenges of
natural resource governance,**

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**suggesting ways in which
mining can be more effectively
managed in Africa. By
providing an analytical
framework it highlights the
essential intersection between
natural and social sciences,**

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**central to efficient and
effective harnessing of the
potential for minerals and
mining to be a contributor to
positive development in Africa.
It will be of interest to policy
makers, industry professionals,**

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**and researchers in the
extractive industries, as well as
to the broader development
community.**

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Inequality**

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**West Africa from the Rise of
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Revolution**

Dead Aid

The Fortunes of Africa

The Negro Motorist Green

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Book

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"Africa has been coveted for its riches ever since the era of the Pharaohs. In past centuries, it was the lure of gold, ivory, and slaves that drew fortune-seekers,

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merchant-adventurers, and conquerors from afar. In modern times, the focus of attention is on oil, diamonds, and other valuable minerals. Land was another prize. The Romans relied on their

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colonies in northern Africa
for vital grain shipments to
feed the population of Rome.
Arab invaders followed in
their wake, eventually
colonizing the entire region.
More recently, foreign

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corporations have acquired huge tracts of land to secure food supplies needed abroad, just as the Romans did. In this vast and vivid panorama of history, Martin Meredith follows the fortunes

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of Africa over a period of 5,000 years. With compelling narrative, he traces the rise and fall of ancient kingdoms and empires; the spread of Christianity and Islam; the enduring quest for gold and

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other riches; the exploits of explorers and missionaries; and the impact of European colonization. He examines, too, the fate of modern African states and concludes with a glimpse of their

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future." -- Back cover.

Intended for those interested in the African continent and the diversity of human history, this work looks at Africa's past and reflects on the changing ways it has

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been imagined and represented. It illustrates key themes in modern thinking about Africa's history with a range of historical examples. A member of the unique generation of African writers

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and intellectuals who came of age in the last days of colonialism, Wole Soyinka has witnessed the promise of independence and lived through postcolonial failure. He deeply comprehends the

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pressing problems of Africa,
and, an irrepressible essayist
and a staunch critic of the
oppressive boot, he
unhesitatingly speaks out. In
this magnificent new work,
Soyinka offers a wide-

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ranging inquiry into Africa's culture, religion, history, imagination, and identity. He seeks to understand how the continent's history is entwined with the histories of others, while exploring

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Africa's truest assets: "its humanity, the quality and valuation of its own existence, and modes of managing its environment—both physical and intangible (which

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includes the spiritual). "Fully grasping the extent of Africa's most challenging issues, Soyinka nevertheless refuses defeatism. With eloquence he analyzes problems ranging from the

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meaning of the past to the threat of theocracy. He asks hard questions about racial attitudes, inter-ethnic and religious violence, the viability of nations whose boundaries were laid out by

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outsiders, African identity on the continent and among displaced Africans, and more. Soyinka's exploration of Africa relocates the continent in the reader's imagination and maps a

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course toward an African
future of peace and
affirmation.

A novel on the evils of white
colonialism in Africa. Set in
French-ruled Mali, the hero is
a young teacher who plays

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the white man's idea of a
good Black in order to
advance his career.

Continental Shift

An African Adventure

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Born in Africa

1930s-1990s

African History: A Very Short
Introduction

Perceptions of Africa have

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changed dramatically. Viewed as a continent of wars, famines and entrenched poverty in the late 1990s, there is now a focus on "Africa rising" and an "African 21st century." Two decades of unprecedented economic growth

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in Africa should have brought substantial improvements in well-being. Whether or not they did, remains unclear given the poor quality of the data, the nature of the growth process (especially the role of natural resources),

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conflicts that affect part of the region, and high population growth. Poverty in a Rising Africa documents the data challenges and systematically reviews the evidence on poverty from monetary and nonmonetary

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perspectives, as well as a focus
on dimensions of inequality.

Chapter 1 maps out the
availability and quality of the
data needed to track monetary
poverty, reflects on the
governance and political

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processes that underpin the current situation with respect to data production, and describes some approaches to addressing the data gaps. Chapter 2 evaluates the robustness of the estimates of poverty in Africa. It

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concludes that poverty reduction in Africa may be slightly greater than traditional estimates suggest, although even the most optimistic estimates of poverty reduction imply that more people lived in poverty in 2012 than in

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1990. A broad-stroke profile of poverty and trends in poverty in the region is presented. Chapter 3 broadens the view of poverty by considering nonmonetary dimensions of well-being, such as education, health, and

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freedom, using Sen's (1985) capabilities and functioning approach. While progress has been made in a number of these areas, levels remain stubbornly low. Chapter 4 reviews the evidence on inequality in Africa.

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It looks not only at patterns of monetary inequality in Africa but also other dimensions, including inequality of opportunity, intergenerational mobility in occupation and education, and extreme wealth in Africa.

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Saharan Africa by drawing on the
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started with their ancestor, Oanh, who dared to leave her marriage for true love—so a fearsome Vietnamese witch cursed Oanh and her descendants so that they would never find love or happiness, and the Duong

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women would give birth to daughters, never sons.? Oanh's current descendant Mai Nguyen knows this curse well. She's divorced, and after an explosive disagreement a decade ago, she's estranged from her

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younger sisters, Minh Pham (the middle and the mediator) and Khuyen Lam (the youngest who swears she just runs humble coffee shops and nail salons, not Little Saigon's underground).
Though Mai's three adult

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daughters, Priscilla, Thuy, and
Thao, are successful in their
careers (one of them is John
Cho's dermatologist!), the same
can't be said for their love lives.
Mai is convinced they might
drive her to an early grave.

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Desperate for guidance, she consults Auntie Hua, her trusted psychic in Hawaii, who delivers an unexpected prediction: this year, her family will witness a marriage, a funeral, and the birth of a son. This prophecy will

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*intellectual Walter Rodney
emerged as one of the
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*the African continent, and
the Caribbean. In each
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himself a lightning rod
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catalyzed 20th century*

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Jamaica's most significant rebellion, the 1968 Rodney riots, and his scholarship trained a generation how to think politics at an international scale. In 1980, shortly after

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*founding of the Working
People's Alliance in
Guyana, the 38-year-old
Rodney would be
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Underdeveloped Africa,*

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will intersect with other
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era, one in which Africa's
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overshadows its*

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by paramilitary policemen, before the school closed, before the fathers left for dangerous jobs abroad. But Darling has a chance to escape: she has an aunt in America. She travels to this new land in search of America's famous abundance only to find that her options as an immigrant are perilously few. No Violet

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gave her to build an empire in Harlem. Orphan and self-taught chemist Annie Turnbo-Malone, developed the first national brand of hair care products. Mississippi school teacher O. W. Gurley, developed a piece of Tulsa, Oklahoma, into a "town" for wealthy

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black professionals and craftsmen that would become known as "the Black Wall Street." Although Madam C. J Walker was given the title of America's first female black millionaire, she was not. She was the first, however, to flaunt and openly

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Nella argue endlessly over their financial fate, selling off furniture in a desperate attempt to hold on to the family home. As catastrophe threatens to engulf the household, Thea seeks refuge in Amsterdam's playhouses. She loves the performances, and the stolen

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moments afterwards are even better. In the backrooms of her favorite theater, Thea can spend a few precious minutes with her secret lover, Walter, the chief set-painter, a man adept at creating the perfect environments for comedies and tragedies to flourish. The thrill of their

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hidden romance offers Thea an exciting distraction from home. But it also puts her in mind of another secret that threatens to overwhelm the present: Thea knows her birthday marks the day her mother, Marin, died in labor. Thea's family refuses to share the

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details of this story, just as they seem terrified to speak of "the miniaturist" - a shadowy figure from their past who is possessed of uncanny abilities to capture that which is hidden. Aunt Nella believes the solution to all Thea's problems is to find her a husband who

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*society as uniformly
wealthy or culturally
homogeneous during this
period, it demonstrates
that social class remained
a salient element
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*century, how Southern
Africa's white societies
were often divided and
riven with tension and how
the resulting social,
political and economic
complexities animated*

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the opportunities and
limitations of physical
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*consideration of white
societies in this
historical context.*

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*identities from North
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America to the African
context to argue that race
and class cannot be
considered independently
in Southern Africa. This
book will be of interest*

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studies, African history,
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African Americans “are

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diseases and health
conditions at far greater
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Americans.” In fact,
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experiences as an African*

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shapes health choices—how
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values can influence

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*eating choices, exercise
habits, and even the
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policy makers, and others*

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health gap among people of
color. Says Gourdine, "I
wrote this book to empower
our community to solve our
own health problems and
save our own lives."*

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*Shapiro, the author of
"Black Wealth/White
Wealth, " blends personal
stories, interviews,
empirical data, and
analysis to illuminate how
family assets produce*

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*dramatic consequences in
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