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ma looks at the ways in which the identity of hong kong citizens has changed in the 1990s especially since the handover to china in 1997 this is the first analysis which focuses on the role in this process of popular media in general and television in particular the author specifically analyses at the relationship between television ideologies and cultural identities and explores the role of television in the process of identity formation and maintenance

political culture defined as the values beliefs and behavioral patterns underlying the political system has long had an uneasy relationship with political science identity politics is the latest incarnation of this conflict everyone agrees that culture and identity are important specifically political culture is important in understanding other countries and global regions but no one agrees how much or how precisely to measure it in this important book well known comparativist howard j wiarda traces the long and controversial history of culture studies and the relations of political culture and identity politics to political science under attack from structuralists institutionalists marxists and dependency writers wiarda examines and assesses the reasons for these attacks and why political culture went into decline only to have a new and transcendent renaissance and revival in the writings of inglehart fukuyama putnam huntington and many others today political culture now updated to include identity politics stands as one of these great explanatory paradigms in political science the others being structuralism and institutionalism rather than seeing them as diametrically exposed howard wiarda shows how they may be made complementary and woven together in more complex multicausal explanations this book is brief highly readable provocative and certain to stimulate discussion it will be of interest to general readers and as a text in courses in international relations comparative politics foreign policy and third world studies

the west is on everyone s lips it is defended celebrated hated but how and why did

it emerge and whose idea is it this book is about representations of the west drawing on sources from across the world from russia to japan iran to britain it argues that the west is not merely a western idea but something that many people around the world have long been creating and stereotyping the idea of the west looks at how the great political and ethnic forces of the last century defined themselves in relation to the west addresses how soviet communism asian spirituality asian values and radical islamism used and deployed images of the west both topical and wide ranging it offers an accessible but provocative portrait of a fascinating subject and it charts the complex relationship between whiteness and the west

stuart hall in whose honour this volume is compiled has made significant contributions to contemporary social and political discourse constantly praised for his scholarly prescience he was at the helm of the forging and definition of the discipline of cultural studies and nurtured an entire cadre of young intellectuals who continue to make remarkable contributions in the fields of cultural studies and social criticism the essays that constitute this collection all in different ways contend with hall s methodology his philosophy as well as many other dimensions of his rich and textured intellectual career more importantly however they serve to reconnect his work to the social context of his island of birth jamaica and the wider caribbean

this timely book examines austerity s conflicted meanings from austerity chic and anti austerity protest to economic and eco austerity bramall s compelling text explores the presence and persuasiveness of the past developing a new approach to the historical in contemporary cultural politics

the consolidation of taiwanese identity in recent years has been accompanied by two interrelated paradoxes a continued language shift from local taiwanese languages to mandarin chinese and the increasing subordination of the hoklo majority culture in ethnic policy and public identity discourses a number of initiatives have been undertaken toward the revitalization and recognition of minority cultures at the same time however the hoklo majority culture has become akin to a political taboo this book examines how the interplay of ethnicity national identity and party politics has shaped current debates on national culture and linguistic recognition in taiwan it suggests that the ethnolinguistic distribution of the electorate has led parties to adopt distinctive strategies in an attempt to broaden their ethnic support bases on the one hand the dpp and the kmt have strived to play down their respective de sinicization and sinicization ideologies as well as their hoklo and chinese ethnocultural cores at the same time the parties have competed to portray themselves as the legitimate protectors of minority interests by promoting hakka and aboriginal cultures these concomitant logics have discouraged parties from appealing to ethnonationalist

rhetoric prompting them to express their antagonistic ideologies of taiwanese and chinese nationalism through more liberal conceptions of language rights therefore the book argues that constraints to cultural and linguistic recognition in taiwan are shaped by political rather than cultural and sociolinguistic factors investigating taiwan s counterintuitive ethnolinguistic situation this book makes an important theoretical contribution to the literature to many fields of study and will appeal to scholars of taiwanese politics sociolinguistics culture and history

this book analyses the cultural politics of urban development in gwangju south korea and illustrates the implementation of state led arts based urban boosterism efforts in the context of political trauma and the desire for economic growth the book explores urban development that is complicated by the recent history of democratic uprising in gwangju and it examines the dichotomy between cities as growth machines and progressive metropolises actor oriented qualitative research methods are used to show how culture and economies can evolve from territorial conflicts the author argues that the quest for both growth and social justice can coexist in intertwined ways and create urban development moreover recent events in gwangju such as the may 18 democratic uprising and massacre are shown to act as a backdrop for state led urban boosterism and desire for economic growth at the same time as depicting a resistance to state corporate marketing plans which culminates in the eventual emergence of relatively coherent places of memory these convergences and divergences are comparable to the urban boosterism characteristic of western cities the book contributes to the dialogue surrounding geography urban studies and postcolonial urban development and will be of interest to academics working in these fields as well as human geography planning urban politics and east asian studies

the mexico reader is a vivid and comprehensive guide to muchos méxicos the many varied histories and cultures of mexico unparalleled in scope it covers pre columbian times to the present from the extraordinary power and influence of the roman catholic church to mexico s uneven postrevolutionary modernization from chronic economic and political instability to its rich cultural heritage bringing together over eighty selections that include poetry folklore photo essays songs political cartoons memoirs journalism and scholarly writing this volume highlights the voices of everyday mexicans indigenous peoples artists soldiers priests peasants and workers it also includes pieces by politicians and foreign diplomats by literary giants octavio paz gloria anzaldúa and carlos fuentes and by and about revolutionary leaders pancho villa and emiliano zapata this revised and updated edition features new selections that address twenty first century developments including the rise of narcopolitics the economic and personal costs of the united states mass deportation programs the political activism of indigenous healers and manufacturing workers and the impact of

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a highly original study of analytic philosophy in twentieth century british thought

this book investigates how we are involved in politically informed structures and how they appear to us following different approaches in contemporary aesthetics and cultural philosophy such as everyday aesthetics atmosphere and aestheticization the contributions explore how embedded powers in politics education democracy and landscape are analyzed through aesthetics

the buenos aires reader offers an insider s look at the diverse lived experiences of the people politics and culture of argentina s capital city primarily from the nineteenth century to the present refuting the tired cliché that buenos aires is the paris of south america this book gives a nuanced view of a city that has long been attentive to international trends yet never ceases to celebrate its local culture the vibrant opinions reflections and voices of buenos aires come to life through selections that range from songs poems letters and essays to interviews cartoons paintings and historical documents many of which have been translated into english for the first time these selections tell the story of the city s culture of protest and celebration its passion for soccer and sport its gastronomy and food traditions its legendary nightlife and its musical literary and artistic cultures providing an unparalleled look at buenos aires history culture and politics this volume is an ideal companion for anyone interested in this dynamic disruptive and inventive city

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political dreams and musical themes in the 1848 1922 formation of czechoslovakia interaction of national and global forces characterizes the 1918 22 formation of czechoslovakia as a consequence of political and musical expressions nationalist expressions and formations were striking after the 1848 revolution the authors explore how the music of smetana janácek and dvorák inspired people with reminders about the important achievements of past bohemian leaders under the control of the vienna based habsburg empire czech leaders also achieved more political representation in both habsburg and bohemian legislatures and slovaks made some national progress in at least asserting their demands to budapest and its controlling magyar empire during the early twentieth century there was additional pressure to link up these nationalist movements in both music and politics with regional modernist approaches that were increasingly popular in other parts of europe the outbreak of world war i in 1914 opened up opportunities such as joint participation in the czechoslovak legion for the two key ethnic groups to forge a czechoslovak state independence took place with considerable western support on october 28 1918 and the commemorative concert two days later of compositions by josef suk put the final stamp on a considerable achievement that bore the hallmarks of globalism as well as nationalism

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according to a famous talmudic story babylonian talmud tractate shabbat 31a a gentile once approached rabbi hillel and asked to be taught the entire torah while standing on one foot hillel replied love your neighbour as yourself that is the entire torah the rest is simply an explanation go and learn it in much the same way jewish law can be described in one word torah all the rest is simply an explanation the torah also known as the bible the five books of moses and the pentateuch was written over 3 000 years ago since then jewish law has developed various interpretations and applications of the torah interpretations of those interpre tions and so on jewish law contains civil dictates as well as religious protocol problems that arose in the framework of religious life and problems surrounding civil

relationships both found solutions in the same legal source the torah and the halacha the jewish legal interpretations and rulings this chapter on water law in the jewish tradition provides insight into jewish law and custom in general and rules related to the protection of water sources in particular one should not look however to find a written code of jewish law as there is none

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