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- Develops ideas throughout the book, linking the work of nineteenth- and early twentieth-century scholars, and contemporary ideas and practices;
- Includes an appendix offering a list of ethnographic films and videos that can be used to illustrate and extend the discussion of particular issues.

This accessible textbook will inspire students to explore the field further and encourage them to see that anthropology is not just about reading or doing fieldwork, but offers an enriching way of looking at the world.

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