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Dividends of kinship: meanings and uses of social relatedness

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Abstrak

This collection reaffirms the importance of kinship, and of studying kinship, within the framework of social anthropology. The contributors examine both the benefits and burdens of kinship across cultures and explore how relatedness is inextricably linked with other concepts which define people's identities--such as gender, power and history. Examples are used from a wide range of areas including Austria, Greenland, Portugal, Turkey and the Amazon.