Hong Kong has been shaken by unprecedented political and social tensions over the last few years, setting up a showdown between Beijing and an increasingly outspoken and defiant group of young Hong Kongers. Ben Bland's new book investigates the roots of these tensions through the lens of generational change and the search for identity. Feeling little connection to either mainland China or the British legacy, this cohort of young Hong Kongers - which Ben has dubbed Generation HK - are forging a Hong Kong identity of their own. This nascent identity is both threatened and reinforced by the deepening clashes with Beijing.

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