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first published in 1970 and widely regarded as a masterpiece piece this is a groundbreaking experimental novel by the acclaimed author of crash and super cannes innovative and interdisciplinary essays on the increasingly significant british writer j g ballard 1930 2009 exploring the physical cultural and intertextual landscapes in his key works especially the atrocity exhibition one of the most challenging works in contemporary fiction 21st century comprehensive account of the work of j g ballard one of the most important fiction writers of the past forty years traces the development of his career and the significant contribution he has made to contemporary writing examining a seven year period in ballard s career from 1966 to 1973 this volume includes various original essays two interviews with ballard from the early 1970s and a selection of ballard s works providing an extensive reassessment of dominant and recurring themes in ballard s writing including historical violence pornography post 9 11 politics and urban space this book also engages with ballard s late modernism his experimentation with style and form and his sustained interests in psychology and psychopathology classic ballard mesmerising no one writes with such haunting impact william boyd an explosive and perceptive biography of the british novelist j g ballard to many people j g ballard will always be the schoolboy in steven spielberg s movie empire of the sun struggling to survive as an internee of the japanese during world war ii others remember him as the author of crash a meditation on the eroticism of the automobile and the car crash which also became a film and a cause celebre for its frank depiction of a fetish which as this book reveals was no literary conceit but a lifelong preoccupation in this first biography john baxter draws on an admiration of and acquaintance with ballard that began when they were writers for the same 1960s science fiction magazines with the help of the few people whom he admitted to his often hermit like existence it illuminates the troubled reality behind the urbane and amiable facade of a man who was proud to describe himself as psychopathic michel delville has produced in this volume the first book length study of j g ballard s literary output and commentaries on contemporary culture the essays gathered in the present collection provide textual explorations of the theoretical borderland between interiors and exteriors undertaken from a variety of perspectives and representing varying approaches and understandings of these terms in the realm of theory the distinction between what we choose to include and what we exclude remains a political choice often fraught with dilemmas that cannot be resolved how to discern between interiors and exteriors where do we draw dividing lines do we want to draw them anymore or alternately can we afford not to divide and discern between the inside and outside between here and there between us and them if the binary divisions so much discredited no longer hold if we must include

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