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With her first book, Haslam establishes herself as a force of social change. Each chapter provides a glimpse into her life and follows her trajectory from her childhood in Calcutta through her adulthood as a successful motivational speaker, business coach, and philanthropist. In this essential memoir, she shares a story sure to inspire activism and advocacy by offering an interrogation of discourses surrounding intersectionality, colonialism, and poverty. This book also contextualizes her experiences with broader social problems in critical, actionable ways.

VERDICT A beautiful story of resiliency that never shies away from the horrors and hardships that made Haslam the woman she is today. Recommended for fans of Brené Brown and those who enjoy self-empowerment books.

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