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Résumé ou extrait : Extrait de la 4e de couv. : "This book presents an overview of the processes involved in radicalization and terrorism, and introduces a systematic framework which captures the most crucial individual and social factors involved in determining these processes. The authors begin by considering the role played by prejudice, economic deprivation, and discrimination, and the cognitive responses and emotions they can trigger. These responses tend to emphasize the importance of group membership, and promote intergroup differentiation and polarization, a process which is often accompanied by more pronounced and more extreme religious and ideological beliefs. The book also explores the role of cultural values and social climate in processes of radicalization, as well as personality and demographic factors like age and marital status. As for violent terrorist action itself, this final most radical stage is elicited by a number of group factors such as groupthink, isolation, and leadership. Certain cognitive mechanisms--for example, dehumanizing the target and deflecting responsibility--can also provide excuses for violence. The book examines why some groups turn to violence and others don't, and it addresses the processes of disengagement, deradicalization programs, and other methods used to inhibit the spread of radicalization and terrorism."

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