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Never originally intended for publication, *Streams of Consciousness* represent the private stream of ongoing thinking that has accompanied Christopher Bollas' clinical practice and extensive published work. They reflect the complex challenges encountered in the unique world of the psychoanalyst. As Bollas revisits the received truths and dogmas of his profession – including his own prejudices – he demonstrates the value of open, intelligent uncertainty. Interspersed with clinical preoccupations, which highlight the richness as well as the bewildering complexity of psychoanalysis, we find other ideas that reflect his early life as political activist, literature professor, and cultural critic. Throughout, the notebooks are enriched by references to the work of numerous writers in many fields who have influenced his thinking. This work is essential reading for all with an interest in psychoanalysis which will enrich both academic study and clinical practice.