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They Rule reflects on key political questions raised by the Occupy movement, showing how similar questions have been raised by previous generations of radical activists: who really owns and rules the US? Does it matter that the nation is divided by stark class disparities and a concentration of wealth in the hands of a few? Along the way, this book sharpens readers' sense of who the US oligarchy are, including how their fortunes have changed over the course of US history, how they live and think and how to detect and de-cloak them. They Rule is a masterful historical and political analysis, revealing what lies beneath the surface of US society and what ordinary people can do to bring about social change.

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The dramatic story behind the most audacious power grab in American historyThe global financial crisis isn't past but prologue. The fall and rescue of Wall street was the coming-out party for the looters at the nexus of American political and economic power. The grifter class-made up the largest players in finance and the politicians who do their bidding-has been growing in power for a generation, transferring wealth upward through complex financial and political manoeuvres. The crisis was on manifestation of how they've hijacked America's political and economic life.Rolling Stone's Matt Taibbi unravels the fiendish rise of the grifters. He traces the origins to the cult of Ayn Rand and her most influential-and possibly weirdest-acolyte, Alan Greenspan. He reveals backroom deals that decided the winners in the government bailouts; shows how finance dominates politics, from investment bankers auctioning off America's infrastructure to the battle for healthcare reform; and tells the story of Goldman Sachs, a vampire squid wrapped around the face of humanity'.Taibbi combines deep sources, trailblazing reportage, and provocative analysis to create the most lucid, emotionally galvanising, and scathingly funny account yet of the American political and financial crisis. It is essential reading in order to understand the inner workings of politics and finance in America, and the profound consequences for us all.PRAISE FORMatt Taibbi's coverage of the financial crisis'An almost startling reminder of the power of good writing.'- EZRA KLEIN, washingtonpost.com'Matt Taibbi [writes] in a no-holds-barred, often profane, but always informative and stimulating style that gets under the skin of the powerful.'- BILL MOYERS A simultaneous Traditional Chinese translation of the much talked about book No Place to Hide: Edward Snowden, the NSA, and the U.S. Surveillance State by Glenn Greenwald. The book is the winner of the 2014 Pulitzer Prize for Public Service. In Traditional Chinese. Annotation copyright Tsai Fong Books, Inc. Distributed by Tsai Fong Books, Inc.

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