



Fighting historical amnesia: Octavia E. Butler's "Kindred": Dialectics of oppression and social aspects

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