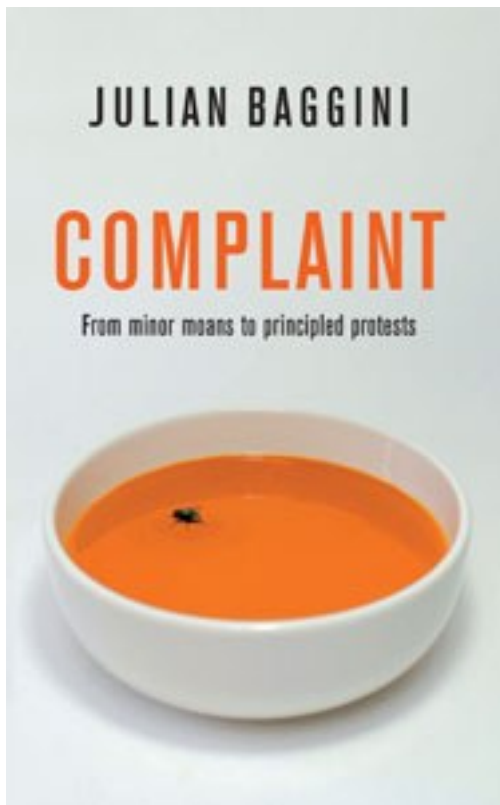


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Conversation would be extremely limited if we stopped moaning. But whereas we once complained about the things that really matter, now we are most likely to be stirred by late trains and bad television programmes. Moreover, often our complaints are misguided: people often protest, on the one hand, that political parties ought to bicker less; but on the other, that we are cheated because there is nothing to choose

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