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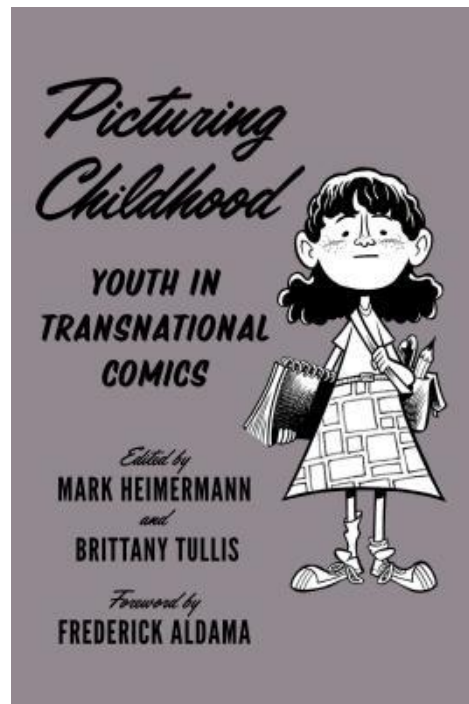
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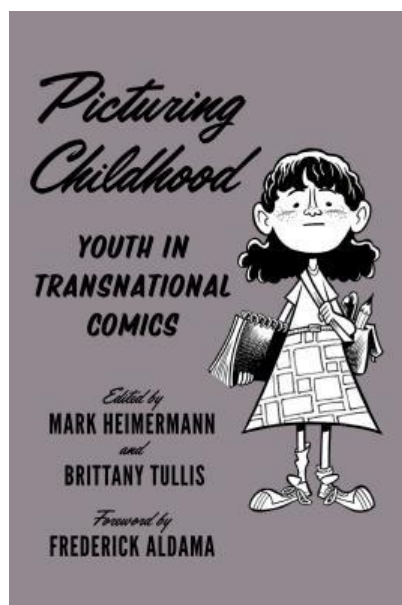
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Comics and childhood have had a richly intertwined history for nearly a century. From Richard Outcault's *Yellow Kid*, Winsor McCay's *Little Nemo*, and Harold Gray's *Little Orphan Annie* to Hergé's *Tintin* (Belgium), José Escobar's *Zipi and Zape* (Spain), and Wilhelm Busch's *Max and Moritz* (Germany), iconic child characters have given both kids and adults not only hours of entertainment but also an important vehicle for exploring children's lives and the sometimes challenging realities that surround them. Bringing together comic studies and childhood studies, this pioneering collection of essays provides the first wide-ranging account of

how children and childhood, as well as the larger cultural forces behind their representations, have been depicted in comics from the 1930s to the present. The authors address issues such as how comics reflect a spectrum of cultural values concerning children, sometimes even resisting dominant cultural constructions of childhood; how sensitive social



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