



Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology)

By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour

[Download now](#)

[Read Online](#) 

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour

When the author embarked on her study, her aim was to approach former colonial officers with a view to analyzing processes of domination in the ex-Belgian Congo. However, after establishing a rapport with some of these officers, the author was soon forced to revise her initial assumptions, widely held in present-day Belgium: these officers were not the "baddies" she had expected to meet.

Exploring the colonial experience through the respondents' memories resulted in a far more complex picture of the colonial situation than she had anticipated, again forcing her to question her original assumptions. This resulted not only in a more differentiated perspective on Belgian colonialist rule, but is also sensitized her as regards the question of anthropological understanding and of what constitutes historical fact.

These two aspects of her work are reflected in this study that offers specific material on the way Belgian colonialism is remembered and reflects on its conditions of production, thus combining ethnographic analysis with a theoretical essay.

 [Download Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Int ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and I ...pdf](#)

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology)

By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour

When the author embarked on her study, her aim was to approach former colonial officers with a view to analyzing processes of domination in the ex-Belgian Congo. However, after establishing a rapport with some of these officers, the author was soon forced to revise her initial assumptions, widely held in present-day Belgium: these officers were not the "baddies" she had expected to meet.

Exploring the colonial experience through the respondents' memories resulted in a far more complex picture of the colonial situation than she had anticipated, again forcing her to question her original assumptions. This resulted not only in a more differentiated perspective on Belgian colonialist rule, but is also sensitized her as regards the question of anthropological understanding and of what constitutes historical fact.

These two aspects of her work are reflected in this study that offers specific material on the way Belgian colonialism is remembered and reflects on its conditions of production, thus combining ethnographic analysis with a theoretical essay.

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour **Bibliography**

- Sales Rank: #2587968 in eBooks
- Published on: 2000-09-30
- Released on: 2014-05-30
- Format: Kindle eBook

 [Download Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Int ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and I ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour

Editorial Review

Review

"Dembour is to be warmly congratulated on her achievement, both intellectually and in terms of memory retrieval content ... Its anthropological skills and merits apart, for readers [interested] in colonial administrators [this book] is at once a prime analysis and a rich resource." • **African Affairs**

"An unusual achievement. Dr. Dembour's book is a work of theory, which shows what a complex business the production of knowledge is, but she writes with such warmth, directness and honesty that fundamental epistemological issues are made vivid for beginning students as well as experienced scholars ... Anyone who conducts interviews, students of memory and history, and those working in 'colonial studies' can all learn from this study." • **Elizabeth Tonkin**

"I congratulate you on an extraordinary work. I am sure it will be declared post-modern; I think it modern in the best sense - up to the critical standards of our day ... I see you engaged in ground-breaking work." • **Johannes Fabian**

About the Author

Marie-Bénédicte Dembour teaches at the University of Sussex, School of Legal Studies.

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Theodore May:

Reading a reserve tends to be new life style in this particular era globalization. With looking at you can get a lot of information that will give you benefit in your life. Having book everyone in this world may share their idea. Ebooks can also inspire a lot of people. A great deal of author can inspire their particular reader with their story or perhaps their experience. Not only situation that share in the books. But also they write about advantage about something that you need example of this. How to get the good score toefl, or how to teach children, there are many kinds of book that you can get now. The authors nowadays always try to improve their ability in writing, they also doing some study before they write with their book. One of them is this Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology).

Angela Smith:

The book with title Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) possesses a lot of information that you can learn it. You can get a lot of help after read this book. This specific book exist new information the information that exist in this e-book represented the condition of the world now. That is important to you to be aware of how the improvement of the world. This specific book will bring you throughout new era of the the positive effect. You can read the e-book on

your own smart phone, so you can read the item anywhere you want.

Rebecca Kendrick:

Your reading 6th sense will not betray an individual, why because this Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) e-book written by well-known writer we are excited for well how to make book which might be understand by anyone who all read the book. Written inside good manner for you, still dripping wet every ideas and writing skill only for eliminate your hunger then you still uncertainty Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) as good book not only by the cover but also with the content. This is one book that can break don't determine book by its include, so do you still needing one more sixth sense to pick that!? Oh come on your looking at sixth sense already alerted you so why you have to listening to another sixth sense.

Elizabeth Black:

The book untitled Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) contain a lot of information on the item. The writer explains your ex idea with easy approach. The language is very easy to understand all the people, so do not really worry, you can easy to read the idea. The book was published by famous author. The author will take you in the new time of literary works. It is easy to read this book because you can keep reading your smart phone, or model, so you can read the book inside anywhere and anytime. In a situation you wish to purchase the e-book, you can start their official website along with order it. Have a nice study.

**Download and Read Online Recalling the Belgian Congo:
Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology)
By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour #R3H2ETB4CW1**

Read Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour for online ebook

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour books to read online.

Online Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour ebook PDF download

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour Doc

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour MobiPocket

Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour EPub

R3H2ETB4CW1: Recalling the Belgian Congo: Conversations and Introspection (New Directions in Anthropology) By Marie-Bénédicte Dembour