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Disasters: learning the lessons for a safer world is both a tribute to the victims of past safety failures and a warning against complacency and cutting corners today. It also recognises the achievements of health and safety professionals and others in learning the lessons of past mistakes. As Trevor Kletz has written, "Someone has paid the 'tuition fess'. There is no need for you to pay them again."

Illustrated throughout in colour, the book looks at over 90 accidents, incidents and safety failures. Some, like Aberfan, Chernobyl and Hillsborough, are known simply by a single place name. Others have now faded from our collective consciousness but still have important lessons for us today, such as the early fires, explosions and mining disasters that paved the way for better safety management.

Disasters: learning the lessons for a safer world offers:

- a description of events from 1800 to the present day
- a wide range of incidents, from explosions and fires to floods, pollution and human and animal ill health
- information on the background to each incident, what happened and the lessons that were learnt
- an exploration of the politics of disaster and risk reduction

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