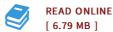




Leaving the Sea: Stories (Vintage Contemporaries)

By Marcus, Ben

Vintage, 2014. Book Condition: New. Brand New, Unread Copy in Perfect Condition. A+ Customer Service! Summary: Praise for Ben Marcus"s Leaving the Sea "Exhilarating, a treatment of both the world and the self as hostile strangers, where a man can become "an allergy to himself," and where language is both powerful and poisonous... But here the struggle to express oneself is also at times hilarious... A wonder and a cautionary tale all in one... Marcus presents a deeper range of identification for the reader, more emotional complexity, but still plenty of the chair-gripping alienation that marked his previous books... Thoroughly and perversely entertaining." -- New York Times Book Review "Utterly compelling. What"s not said, or left out, implies infinite possibilities after almost every sentence: thus creating a constant state of anxiety in the text at all times... As the book progresses Marcus tears up the rulebook completely. And it works beautifully... If you enjoy writers like Samuel Beckett, Wallace Stevens and John Ashberry, who refuse to put language in a neat little box where conventional rules apply, then I'm sure you will...



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