

Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal? - Jeanette Winterson

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Jeanette Winterson's novels have established her as a major figure in world literature. She has written some of the most admired books of the past few decades, including her internationally bestselling first novel, *Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*, the story of a young girl adopted by Pentecostal parents that is now often required reading in contemporary fiction. *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?* is a memoir about a life's work to find happiness. It's a book full of stories: about a girl locked out of her home, sitting on the doorstep all night; about a religious zealot disguised as a mother who has two sets of false teeth and a revolver in the dresser, waiting for Armageddon; about growing up in a north England industrial town now changed beyond recognition; about the Universe as Cosmic Dustbin. It is the story of how a painful past that Jeanette thought she'd written over and repainted rose to haunt her, sending her on a journey into madness and out again, in search of her biological mother. Witty, acute, fierce, and celebratory, *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?* is a tough-minded search for belonging for love, identity, home, and a mother. Author: Winterson, Jeanette Publisher: Grove Press Illustration: N Language: ENG Title: *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?* Pages: 00224 (Encrypted EPUB) On Sale: 2012-03-06 SKU-13/ISBN: 9780802120106 Category: Biography & Autobiography : Personal Memoirs Category: Social Science : Lesbian Studies

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