

The Real Minerva - Mary Sharratt

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Stunningly detailed, richly plotted, and emotionally engrossing, *The Real Minerva* is the story of three women forging their own paths in a Midwestern farming community. In 1923, as book-loving Penny enters adolescence, her mother, Barbara, pulls her out of school to send her to work. Destined to become a cleaning woman like her mother, Penny sees no escape from her bleak existence until a scandalous figure arrives in the town of Minerva, Minnesota: Cora, very pregnant, very headstrong, and very alone, has come to make a home on her grandfather's farm. Intrigued by this curious new resident, Penny sets out to work for Cora. Suspenseful and moving, *The Real Minerva* is a remarkable novel about the strength of women and the unexpected bonds that form between them. Mary Sharratt is the author of the much-acclaimed debut, *Summit Avenue*, and the forthcoming novel *The Vanishing Point*. A born-and-bred Minnesotan, Sharratt drew on her mothers and grandmothers stories of Minnesota farm life in the early twentieth century for *The Real Minerva*. She now lives in Lancashire, England. This e-book includes a sample chapter of *ILLUMINATIONS*. Author: Sharratt, Mary Publisher: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Illustration: N Language: ENG Title: *The Real Minerva* Pages: 00272 (Encrypted EPUB) On Sale: 2006-01-13 SKU-13/ISBN: 9780618618880 Category: Fiction : Literary

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