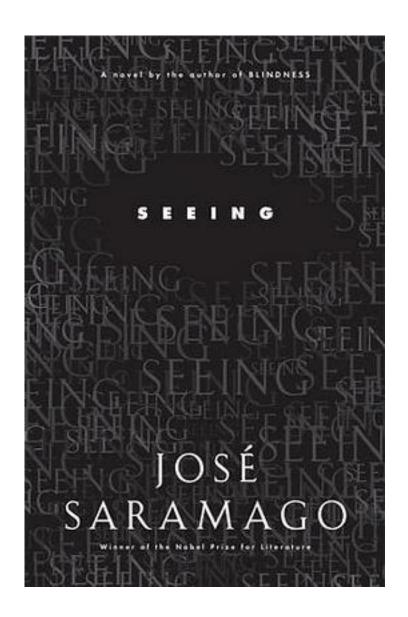
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Despite the heavy rain, the presiding officer at Polling Station 14 finds it odd that by midday on National Election day, only a handful of voters have turned out. Puzzlement swiftly escalates to shock when eventually, after an extension, the final count reveals seventy per cent of the votes are blank - not spoiled, simply blank. National law decrees the election should be repeated eight days later. The result is worse; eighty-three per cent of the votes are blank. The incumbent government receives eight per cent and the opposition even less. The authorities, seized with panic, decamp from the capital and place it under a state of emergency. Who are the insurgents? Why the desire to destabilise the country? The authorities leap from one possibility to the next, but achieve nothing. The lack of hostility exacerbates things, since how can justice be meted out when not a single law has been broken? To all intents and purposes the administration is blind. Similarities to the plague of blindness that struck the city four years ago become apparent. In his new novel, Jose Saramago has deftly created the politician's ultimate nightmare: disillusionment not with one party, but with all, thereby rendering the entire democratic system useless. "Seeing" explores how simply this could be achieved and how devastating the results might be.

作者介绍:

Jose Saramago was born in Portugal in 1922 and has been a full-time writer since 1979. His oeuvre embraces plays, poetry, short stories, non-fiction and ten novels, which have been translated into more than forty languages and have established him as the most influential Portuguese writer of his generation. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1998.

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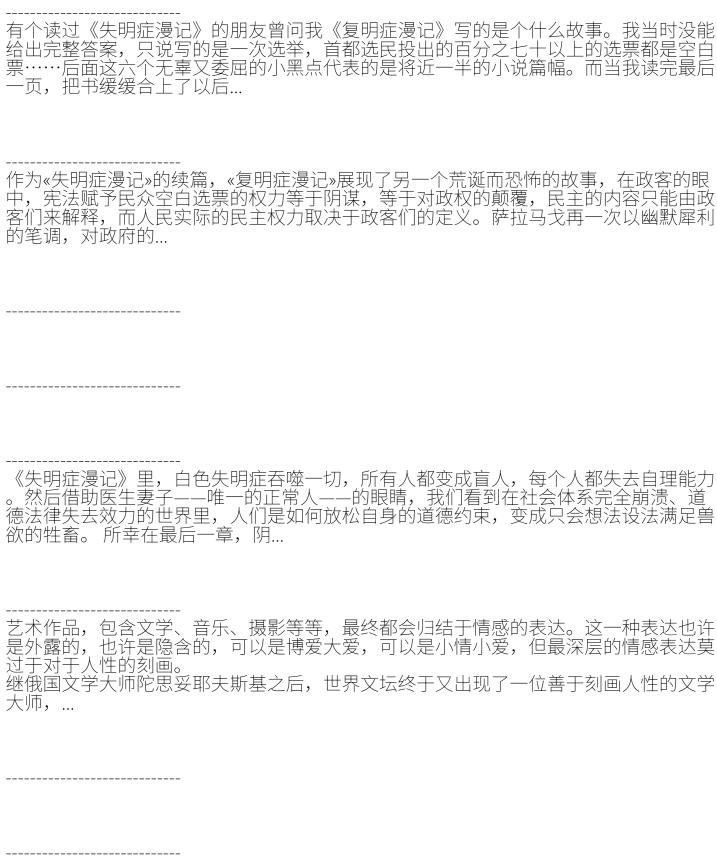
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书评
面前摆上《复明症漫记》的原书和译稿的时候,我并没有多想便直接投入了工作。《复明症漫记》是我正式参与到编辑工作的第一部小说,而在这之前,自诩文学爱好者的我甚至也只知道萨拉马戈那部著名的《失明症漫记》以及那场总被类比到现实政治和权力腐败的虚构的瘟疫。在最初惊

1995年萨拉马戈出版《失明症漫记》(国内仅有2002年范维信译本),这部篇幅不长的小说堪称现代小说经典之一,足以使这位葡萄牙作家迈入世界顶级大师的行列。2004年,作为《失明症漫记》(Blindness)续集(更像是姊妹篇)的《复明症漫记》(Seeing)出版,中文版本仍然由范维信...

葡萄牙作家若泽·萨拉马戈(José Saramago,1922.11.16-2010.6.18),曾凭借《失明症漫记》(又名《盲目》)获得 诺贝尔文学奖。如今面世的中译本《复明症漫记》(以下简称《复明症》)被坊间称为 前者的姊妹篇。阅读《复明症》的过程是一个奇特的体验之旅。萨拉马戈惯于使用...



作为《失明症漫记》的姊妹篇,在没有读《复明症漫记》之前,我太过于天真的认为两者会有故事上的延续性。由此导致的困惑也一直困扰了前半程的阅读。事实上,两者真的也只有一些情节上的少许交叉,如果想把这作为单独的两本,也并不是不可做到。《复明症漫记》明显有着强烈的政…

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