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Fiona Maye is a leading High Court judge, presiding over cases in the family court. She is renowned for her fierce intelligence, exactitude and sensitivity. But her professional success belies private sorrow and domestic strife. There is the lingering regret of her childlessness, and now, her marriage of thirty years is in crisis.

At the same time, she is called on to try an urgent case: for religious reasons, a beautiful seventeen-year-old boy, Adam, is refusing the medical treatment that could save his life, and his devout parents share his wishes. Time is running out. Should the secular court overrule sincerely held faith? In the course of reaching a decision Fiona visits Adam in hospital – an encounter which stirs long-buried feelings in her and powerful new emotions in the boy. Her judgment has momentous consequences for them both.

作者介绍:

Ian McEwan is a critically acclaimed author of short stories and novels for adults, as well as The Daydreamer, a children's novel illustrated by Anthony Browne. His first published work, a collection of short stories, First Love, Last Rites, won the Somerset Maugham Award. His novels include The Child in Time, which won the 1987 Whitbread Novel of the Year Award, The Cement Garden, Enduring Love, Amsterdam, which won the 1998 Booker Prize, Atonement, Saturday, On Chesil Beach, Solar, Sweet Tooth and The Children Act.

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评论

"Blood stands for the gift of life that every living soul should be grateful for." —— 《The Children Act》 by Ian McEwan.
Children Act》by Ian McEwan. 伊恩的書,句子是非常獨特的,有些刻意為之的「殘句」。這個故事非常非常出乎意料的好看,主角是一位女法官,故事分兩條線,兩條線上的故事都讓人深思!
Skilfully written. I feel some sort of kinship with these characters, Fiona especially. Now I'm very much looking forward to watch the TV show.
Her kiss was the kiss of Judas, her kiss betrayed my name. May he who drowns my cross by his own hand be slain.
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书评

漫长的冬天过去了,这本书也终于读完了。过程经历了几个月,可能一个季度还要多。除却生词太多阻碍精读,还有学业等诸多因素。但是,这种每天抽出两小时专门阅读的经历又让我无比沉迷,每天都充满着期待。这个故事太动人,实在是gripping and touching。麦克尤恩的文笔很有个...

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