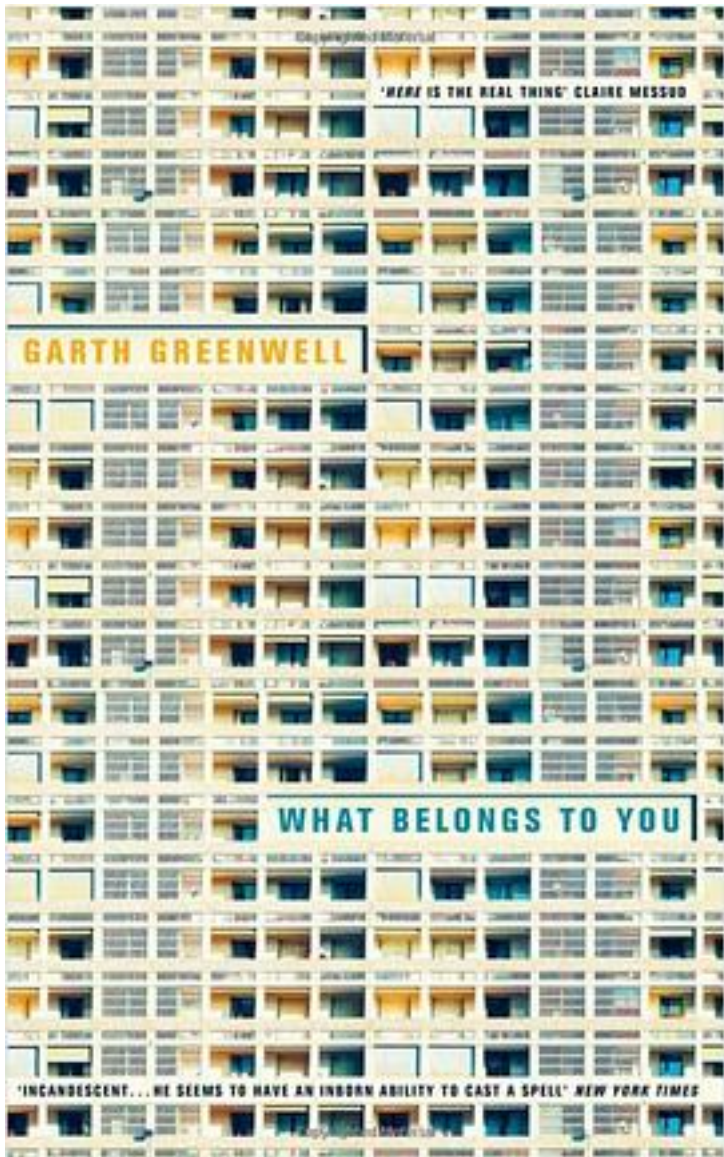


What Belongs to You



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On an unseasonably warm autumn day, an American teacher enters a public bathroom beneath Sofia's National Palace of Culture. There he meets Mitko, a charismatic young hustler, and pays him for sex. He returns to Mitko again and again over the next few months, drawn by hunger and loneliness and risk, and finds himself ensnared in a relationship in which lust leads to mutual predation, and tenderness can transform into violence. As he struggles to reconcile his longing with the anguish it creates, he's forced to grapple with his own fraught history, the world of his southern childhood where to be queer was to be a pariah. There are unnerving similarities between his past and the foreign country he finds himself in, a country whose geography and griefs he discovers as he learns more of Mitko's own narrative, his private history of illness, exploitation, and want.

What Belongs to You is a stunning debut novel of desire and its consequences. With lyric intensity and startling eroticism, Garth Greenwell has created an indelible story about the ways in which our pasts and cultures, our scars and shames can shape who we are and determine how we love.

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Oh boy

Though not incredibly gripping, WBTY offers a sharp dissection of contemporary Bulgarian society and leaves Mitko imprinted in readers' mind

A powerful debut. I am just wondering if Bulgaria is truly that awful.

Garth
Greenwell之前一直是学诗写诗的，第一次写小说就上道了，天赋挡不住。近来很少读到处女作就能彰显个人语言风格的新作家，他对情境、情感的审视和剖析往往会让我心跳停半拍，很少有的阅读体验。

写的太好，我感同身受，人生有时候只能逃离到另一个故事中去

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