



Misreadings

By Umberto Eco

Download now

Read Online ➔

Misreadings By Umberto Eco

Satirical essays in which Eco pokes fun at the oversophisticated, the overacademic, and the overintellectual and makes penetrating comments about our modern mass culture and the elitist avant-garde. “A scintillating collection of writings” (Los Angeles Times). Translated by William Weaver. A Helen and Kurt Wolff Book

↓ [Download Misreadings ...pdf](#)

📄 [Read Online Misreadings ...pdf](#)

Misreadings

By Umberto Eco

Misreadings By Umberto Eco

Satirical essays in which Eco pokes fun at the oversophisticated, the overacademic, and the overintellectual and makes penetrating comments about our modern mass culture and the elitist avant-garde. "A scintillating collection of writings" (Los Angeles Times). Translated by William Weaver. A Helen and Kurt Wolff Book

Misreadings By Umberto Eco Bibliography

- Sales Rank: #1095583 in Books
- Published on: 1993-05-07
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.00" h x .48" w x 5.25" l, .34 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 180 pages

 [Download Misreadings ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Misreadings ...pdf](#)

Editorial Review

From Publishers Weekly

These 15 essays by semiotician and novelist Eco (*The Name of the Rose*) originally appeared in the 1960s and early 1970s in an Italian literary magazine; they appear here in English translation for the first time. The essays are actually satires, pastiches of publishing, art and literature. Typical is the first piece, a parody of Nabokov's *Lolita* in which the protagonist becomes obsessed with a white-haired old woman. In a work on Columbus's voyage, revised for American publication, the admiral's landing is covered by the likes of Dan Rather, Alastair Cook, MacNeil/Lehrer and Johnny Carson. Publishers' readers' reports for *Don Quixote* , Dante's *Divine Comedy* , even the Bible, reject them all. In admittedly eccentric reviews, Eco critiques the design of Italian currency. Although basically amusing, many of Eco's essays have a smug, precious sensibility about them. They seem the product of one who considers himself superior to his material, a dangerous trap for the satirist. Further, Eurocentric references, many of them still obscure despite revision, will leave readers wondering if they're missing most of the jokes.

Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc.

From Library Journal

Categorized as essays, these 15 pastiches by Eco (*Foucault's Pendulum* , LJ 9/1/89) were written between 1959 and 1972 and were meant to be amusing. Most appeared first in the Italian vanguard literary magazine *Il Verri* , and many were collected in a separate volume in 1963. Parody, Eco notes in the introduction, is linked to the topical, i.e., we can relate directly to Sophocles but need footnotes to find our way in Aristophanes (whom we may not find funny). Eco's proviso may account for some of the sophomoric and strained elements in these pastiches. Weaver, the doyen of U.S. translators of Italian, is always astute in finding appropriate cultural substitutions or inserting discreet footnotes. What he lacked license to do was remove the complacent sexism, ageism, and machismo that mark these texts as late Sixties insensitivity. The only successful pastiche is "Regretfully We Are Returning Your..." in which a publisher's reader rejects the Bible, Homer, Dante, Joyce....

- Marilyn Gaddis Rose, *SUNY-Binghamton*

Copyright 1993 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Language Notes

Text: English (translation)

Original Language: Italian

Users Review

From reader reviews:

Ricky Hayes:

Book is to be different for every single grade. Book for children until finally adult are different content. As we know that book is very important usually. The book *Misreadings* had been making you to know about other information and of course you can take more information. It is extremely advantages for you. The book *Misreadings* is not only giving you more new information but also being your friend when you feel bored. You can spend your spend time to read your guide. Try to make relationship with the book *Misreadings*. You never truly feel lose out for everything if you read some books.

Cesar Smith:

In this 21st century, people become competitive in every single way. By being competitive now, people have to do something to make these individuals survive, being in the middle of typically the crowded place and notice by means of surrounding. One thing that oftentimes many people have underestimated the item for a while is reading. Sure, by reading a publication your ability to survive increases then having a chance to stand up than others is high. For yourself who want to start reading a book, we give you that Misreadings book as a nice and daily reading publication. Why, because this book is greater than just a book.

William Vong:

Do you like reading a reserve? Confuse to looking for your favorite book? Or your book ended up being rare? Why so many query for the book? But almost any people feel that they enjoy for reading. Some people like examining, not only science book but additionally novel and Misreadings as well as others sources were given knowledge for you. After you know how the truly great a book, you feel desire to read more and more. Science guide was created for teacher or students especially. Those books are helping them to increase their knowledge. In different case, beside science book, any other book like Misreadings to make your spare time a lot more colorful. Many types of book like this.

Marianne Stromain:

Reading a reserve make you to get more knowledge from that. You can take knowledge and information coming from a book. Book is prepared or printed or highlighted from each source that filled update of news. Within this modern era like today, many ways to get information are available for a person. From media social such as newspaper, magazines, science book, encyclopedia, reference book, new and comic. You can add your understanding by that book. Are you hip to spend your spare time to spread out your book? Or just seeking the Misreadings when you desired it?

Download and Read Online Misreadings By Umberto Eco

#4A9URI3H2BY

Read Misreadings By Umberto Eco for online ebook

Misreadings By Umberto Eco Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Misreadings By Umberto Eco books to read online.

Online Misreadings By Umberto Eco ebook PDF download

Misreadings By Umberto Eco Doc

Misreadings By Umberto Eco Mobipocket

Misreadings By Umberto Eco EPub

4A9URI3H2BY: Misreadings By Umberto Eco