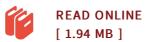




Sisyphusa (Paperback)

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Chipmunkapublishing, United Kingdom, 2011. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 202 x 126 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Description Sisyphusa is an allegory of depression and the mental health system as seen through the eyes of its main character and first person narrator, Odis Winston. Odis is abducted from a comfortable existence at university and taken to an institution called Sisyphusa. He is told when he arrives that he is Weird and that he cannot leave until he has been Normalised . He has been fitted with an Earpiece which has a poisonous and malign voice, similar to his own, and which begins to torment his every waking moment. Encountering characters and situations loosely based on Homer s Odyssey and in a dystopian style influenced by Orwell and Kafka, we follow Odis s transformation from helpless captive to active rebel and leader. The book is imbued with dark humour and compassion for its characters and their struggles. It manages to be a satirical polemic of our own times while creating an entirely new world of Aspirati, Hysteria-Dominated Television (HDTV), I-Spy s, and Climbing Pills. It explores Mental Health themes surrounding institutionalisation, dehumanisation, self-harm, stigma, suicide...



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