



The Sophomore

By Barry Spacks

FABER FABER, United Kingdom, 2012. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Revised ed.. 178 x 111 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. The Sophomore by Barry Spacks is that rare beast: a clever, sophisticated novel that is very, very funny. It s like an American Lucky Jim - at once hilarious, shrewd and very true. A complete delight . (William Boyd). Harry Zissel is 22 years old, a college sophomore who plans to be a major writer. He just can t seem to finish anything. Then his girlfriend Miriam announces she s pregnant. Harry fears he ll end up a married wage-slave, just like his old buddy Arthur Thompson. Leaving his apartment to get breakfast, Harry decides instead to hit the road. Can he live the American dream of starting afresh ? Or does he need to buck up, straighten out, do some work for a change.? The question is not for him alone in Barry Spacks brilliant debut novel from 1968, reissued here with a new introductory QA with the author. No synopsis can do justice to Spacks technical skill and comic inventiveness . (Saturday Review).



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