1. Record Nr. UNINA9910148757303321 Autore Birch Ann Titolo The secret life of Roberta Greaves / / a novel by Ann Birch Pubbl/distr/stampa Toronto, Canada:,: Inanna Publications and Education Inc.,, [2016] ©2016 **ISBN** 1-77133-328-6 1-77133-326-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (250 pages): illustrations Collana Inanna poetry & fiction series Disciplina C813.6 Soggetti Debt Erotic literature writers Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia "Renowned classics professor Roberta Greaves finds her perfect life Sommario/riassunto shattered by her husband's suicide and the huge gambling debts he has left behind. Grief-stricken and angry, Roberta must find a way to pay those debts. Remembering a story by Ovid about intergenerational sex, she decides to write an erotic novel, using a penname because she is worried that her career will suffer if her real identity is discovered. Drama critic John Schubert suspects the truth. Eager to bring Roberta down in revenge for some comments she once made, he finds an opportunity when he spots her with her publisher, who is well-known for the erotic literature he publishes. Meantime, Roberta hears some dirt about Schubert from the street kids with whom she does poetry workshops at a drop-in centre. When Roberta confronts Schubert, he says, "I'll keep your dirty secret if you keep mine." Roberta's life is now a mess of potential blackmail and intrigue. What's more, she learns an unpleasant truth about her "Daddy," a doctor whose memory she has always revered. Roberta's interactions with the street kids and the

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