1. Record Nr. UNINA9910148949303321 Autore Swift Jonathan <1667-1745> Titolo Gulliver's Travels Pubbl/distr/stampa HarperCollins UK **ISBN** 0-00-721859-1 Disciplina [Fic] Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Musica Livello bibliografico Monografia Sommario/riassunto Swift's scornful satire, written "to vex the world rather than divert it", takes a caustic look at those most contemporary concerns irrational prejudice, social inequality, ivory tower elitism and the correct way to open a boiled egg.'I cannot but conclude the bulk of your natives to be the most pernicious race of little odious vermin that nature ever suffered to crawl upon the surface of the earth.'Shipwrecked on the high seas, Lemuel Gulliver finds himself washed up on the strange island of Lilliput, a land inhabited by quarrelsome miniature people. On his travels he continues to meet others who force him to reflect on human behaviour - the giants of Brobdingnag, the Houyhnhnms and the Yahoos. In this scathing satire on the politics and morals of the

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