1. Record Nr. UNINA9910154759903321 Autore McGregor Gaile <1943-> **Titolo** Eccentric visions [[electronic resource]]: re constructing Australia // Gaile McGregor Waterloo, Ont.,: Wilfrid Laurier University Press, c1994 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-23291-6 9786613810656 0-88920-700-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (349 p.) Disciplina 994.063 Australian literature - History and criticism Soggetti Electronic books. Australia Civilization 1976-1990 Australia Social conditions 1976-Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliography and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto CONTENTS; PREFACE; 1 INTRODUCTION; 2 IMAGE/SELF-IMAGE; 3 COMING INTO THE COUNTRY: 4 ALTERNATIVE READINGS: 5 AFTER WORDS; APPENDIX A: ""Voice in the Wilderness"": A Note on Grounds and Precedents: APPENDIX B: Notes on Selected Australian Novels: BIBLIOGRAPHY; INDEX What this book represents is, guite literally, a ""slice" of (white) Sommario/riassunto Australian life. By noting the patterns and parallels that emerge in a random sampling of social phenomena of widely varying types, from soap operas to political behaviour, Gaile McGregor has constructed a model that, in its challenge to uniformitarianism, is a test case in ethnographic theory. Using methods ranging from the hermeneutic through the structuralist to the psychoanalytic, McGregor deploys the self-evidence of communal life and language to establish not only that

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