1. Record Nr. UNINA9910684570903321 Autore Carroll Rachel Titolo Rereading heterosexuality: feminism, queer theory and contemporary fiction / / Rachel Carroll Pubbl/distr/stampa Edinburgh: ,: Edinburgh University Press, , [2012] ©2012 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (160 pages) Disciplina 813.609 Soggetti American fiction - 21st century - History and criticism English fiction - 21st century - History and criticism Heterosexuality in literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliography (pages [149]-156) and index. Nota di contenuto COVER; Copyright; Contents; Acknowledgements; Introduction: feminism, gueer theory and heterosexuality; Part One: Revisiting the spinster; Chapter 1 'Becoming my own ghost': spinsterhood and the 'invisibility' of heterosexuality in Sarah Waters' Affinity; Chapter 2 Telling tales out of school: spinsters, scandals and intergenerational heterosexuality in Zoe Heller's Notes on a Scandal; Part Two: Transgressive female heterosexuality; Chapter 3 Queering Alice, killing Lolita: feminism, queer theory and the politics of child sexuality in A.M. Homes's The End of Alice. Chapter 4 Unauthorised reproduction: class, pregnancy and transgressive female heterosexuality in Alan Warner's Morvern CallarPart Three: Reproducing heterosexuality; Chapter 5 'First one thing and then the other': rewriting the intersexed body in Jeffrey Eugenides' Middlesex; Chapter 6 Imitations of life: cloning, heterosexuality and the human in Kazuo Ishiguro's Never Let Me Go: Bibliography; Index. Heterosexuality in contemporary novels, re-examined using the Sommario/riassunto frameworks of feminism and queer theory. Drawing on feminist and queer theories of sex, gender and sexuality, this study focuses on

female identities at odds with heterosexual norms. In particular, it explores narratives in which the conventional equation between

heterosexuality, reproductive sexuality and female identity is questioned. Key Features. A timely exploration of the dynamic relationship between feminist and queer theory Insightful close readings of acclaimed novels, including Jeffrey Eugenides' Middlesex, ZoA± Heller's Notes on a Scandal, A. M. Homes' The End of Alice, Kazuo Ishiguro's Never Let Me Go, Alan Warner's Morvern Callar and Sarah Waters' Affinity Topics range from spinsterhood and intergenerational sexuality to transgender and human cloning.