Record Nr. UNINA9910814335303321 Autore Japtok Martin Titolo Growing up ethnic: nationalism and the Bildungsroman in African American and Jewish American fiction / / by Martin Japtok Iowa City,: University of Iowa Press, c2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-58729-594-6 Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (214 p.) Descrizione fisica 813.5209896073 Disciplina Soggetti American fiction - African American authors - History and criticism American fiction - Jewish authors - History and criticism Bildungsromans, American - History and criticism Judaism and literature - United States Maturation (Psychology) in literature African Americans in literature Ethnic groups in literature Ethnicity in literature Youth in literature Jews in literature Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [183]-195) and index. Contents: Acknowledgments: Introduction: Chapter I: The Nota di contenuto Autobiography of an Ex-Coloured Man; Chapter 2: Fanny Herself and Plum Bun: Art and Ethnic Solidarity; Chapter 3: Brown Girl, Brownstones and Bread Givers: Reconciling Ethnicity and Individualism; Chapter 4: Ethnic Nationalism and Ethnic Literary Responses; Notes; Works Cited; Index Sommario/riassunto Growing Up Ethnic examines the presence of literary similarities between African American and Jewish American coming-of-age stories

in the first half of the twentieth century; often these similarities exceed what could be explained by sociohistorical correspondences alone. Martin Japtok argues that these similarities result from the way both African American and Jewish American authors have conceptualized

their ""ethnic situation."" The issue of ""race"" and its social

repercussions certainly defy any easy comparisons. However, the fact that the ethnic situations are far from identical in the