



The Past and Other Lies

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Murdoch Books, 2010. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 0 x 0 cm. A captivating novel about sisters, faded memories and long-hidden secrets spanning three generations. At the height of Britain's General Strike in 1926 a red double-decker bus driven by a volunteer crashes into a low bridge in West London. Almost eighty years later Jennifer Denzel reveals on daytime television that as a teenager she'd found her sister Charlotte hanging by a school tie in their bedroom. But Charlotte can't believe her ears -- it was, she protests, Jennifer who tried to suicide all those years ago. Their grandmother Bertha dreams of a distant time: of a young man she met at a Socialist rally, an unexpected wedding and of a sister, long dead. Meanwhile her daughter, Deirdre, remembers a night during the War forty years earlier, when a V-2 rocket destroyed an entire street, and when she made a shocking discovery. Brimming with vivid detail of London past and present, *The Past and Other Lies* is full of warmth, atmosphere, subtle wit and exquisite surprises. 'Warm and full of surprises' Sunday Telegraph 'Silences follow whispered secrets, unresolved issues originate from jealousies and lies, and misunderstandings and coincidences flow throughout the...



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