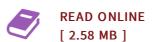




Talk

By Linda Rosenkrantz

The New York Review of Books, Inc. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Talk, Linda Rosenkrantz, Friendships are built on chatter, on gossip, on revelations--on talk. Over the course of the summer of 1965, Linda Rosenkrantz taped conversations between three friends (two straight, one gay) on the cusp of thirty vacationing at the beach: Emily, an actor; Vince, a painter; and Marsha, a writer. The result was "Talk," a novel in dialogue. The friends are ambitious, conflicted, jealous, petty, loving, funny, sex- and shrinkobsessed, and there's nothing they won't discuss. Topics covered include LSD, fathers, exes, lovers, abortions, S&M, sculpture, books, cats, and of course, each other. "Talk" was ahead of its time in recognizing the fascination and significance of nonfamily ties in contemporary life. It may be almost fifty years since Emily, Vince, and Marsha spent the season in East Hampton, but they wouldn't be out of place on the set of "Girls" or in the pages of a novel like Sheila Heti's "How Should a Person Be?".



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