



## **Shop Girl**

By Mary Portas

Transworld Publishers Ltd, United Kingdom, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 198 x 127 mm. Language: English. Brand New Book. This is The Sunday Times Bestseller. Young Mary Newton, born into a large Irish family in a small Watford semi, was always getting into trouble. When she wasn t choking back fits of giggles at Holy Communion or eating Chappie dog food for a bet, she was accidentally setting fire to the local school. Mary was a trouble magnet. And, unlike her brothers, somehow she always got caught. Britain in the 1970s was a world where R White's lemonade was drunk in secret, curry came in a cardboard box marked Vesta and Beanz meant Heinz. In Mary s family, money was scarce. Clothes were handme-downs, holidays a church day out to Hastings and meals were variations on the potato. But these were also good times which revolved around the force of nature that was Theresa, Mary s mum. When tragedy unexpectedly blows this world apart, a new chapter in Mary s life opens up. She takes to the camp and glamour of Harrods window dressing like a duck to water, and Mary, Queen of Shops is born.



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