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Lodge, David. Therapy.

Therapy is a book that has been on my mind for ten years. Seriously. I started reading it ten years ago and then lost it?to my despair. For some reason I didn?t get my hands on another copy right away, and then I forgot the exact title and author?you know how that is?and from time to time I would remember this book as a wonderful pleasurable read and curse myself for losing it in the first place. But the universe often rights itself, and I recently stumbled upon the title. Hooray! Of course, I finished the book in two days: a) because I loved it b) to minimize the chances of me losing it again.

I had remembered this novel as humorous, charming, and immensely readable?which it is?but what I didn?t initially realize is that David Lodge is a serious?funny?British writer. *Therapy* will not be the last David Lodge book that I read. I am now a David Lodge fan. He?s funny. He?s smart. He?s a fan of Graham Greene. What more can I ask for? Anyway, what is*Therapy* about, you may wonder? Well, Tubby Passmore is a successful sitcom screenwriter who goes to various therapies for aches and pains and angst. That?s basically it. Well, there is a lot more involving love relationships and existential doubt?but you will just have to read it to find out.

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