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*Guess Again* is a rich and eclectic collection of exquisitely crafted short stories. Written with unsparing honesty, these stories vividly illustrate love's complexities, the intricacies of family relationships, struggles with sexual identity, and the specter of AIDS.

Whether chronicling a dying man's acts of vandalism, a divorcée under house arrest, a Mormon couple's potluck dinner for their few homosexual acquaintances, or a young Los Angeles boy's sexual awakening, the stories in *Guess Again* are full of wit, subtlety, and emotional generosity.

## Guess Again Details

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## **Berry says**

Pretty straightforward stories, clean and bright prose, humanly and funny. Funniest part in the book - in the story "What to Name the Baby," there's a lapdog in a dog shelter that's fallen from grace. Just a few sentences, but I was rolling.

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## **Cynthia says**

Funny short stories without being goofy. Poignant.

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## **Patricia says**

I'm extremely fond of Bernard Cooper's non-fiction essays. He brings the same startling twists and/or viewpoint to these stories as he does to his essays. Each story revealed a deep understanding of the vagaries of human experience. "Graphology" dipped into the particular pain of widowhood with the decidedly poignant twist of a widow's discovery of her husband's long term sexual deceit. In "What to Name the Baby," Cooper explores the nature of family. Every story includes a gay man or men with accompanying experiences that are unfamiliar to this female lesbian reader. This lent and area of surprise to every story. Cooper is a masterful story teller whose use of language is endlessly interesting.

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## **Nick Rueth says**

I read most of the stories. All pretty good, but not exquisite. 3.5 stars. The prose was really nice, full of interesting metaphors and uncanny emotions. Worth a read.

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## **Charlene says**

short stories. funny and touching at the same time, a unique mix that gives you a glimpse into the lives of these characters.

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## **George says**

So far I've just read one story: A Man in the Making. Very smooth prose - I'm looking forward to the rest!

Oh, and my copy is autographed! Silly bookstore didn't even realise.

