



We Needed Coffee But.

By Matthew Welton

Carcanet Press Ltd, United Kingdom, 2009. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 214 x 134 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. We needed coffee but we d got ourselves convinced that the later we left it the better it would taste, and, as the country grew flatter and the roads became quiet and dusk began to colour the sky, you could guess from the way we returned the radio and unfolded the map or commented on the view that the tang of determination had overtaken our thoughts, and when, fidgety and untalkative but almost home, we drew up outside the all-night restaurant, it felt like we might just stay in the car, listening to the engine and the gentle sound of the wind . From its title, which runs to 101 words in full, to its wordless concrete poems; from its World Cup fixture list to its transformations of four-letter words, We needed coffee but. is audacious, mischievous, even outrageous. As in his award-winning first collection The Book of Matthew , the poet attends precisely to each detail: the rhythms are musical but unexpected; the brightness control on imagery is turned up high. New in this book is the emphasis on...



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