



## Before You Suffocate Your Own Fool Self (Paperback)

By Danielle Evans

Penguin Putnam Inc, United States, 2011. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Introducing a new star of her generation, an electric debut story collection about mixed-race and African-American teenagers, women, and men struggling to find a place in their families and communities. When Danielle Evans's short story -Virgins- was published in The Paris Review in late 2007, it announced the arrival of a major new American short story writer. Written when she was only twenty-three, Evans's story of two black, blue-collar fifteen-year-old girls flirtation with adulthood for one night was startling in its pitch-perfect examination of race, class, and the shifting terrain of adolescence. Now this debut short story collection delivers on the promise of that early story. In -Harvest, - a college student's unplanned pregnancy forces her to confront her own feelings of inadequacy in comparison to her white classmates. In -Jellyfish, - a father's misguided attempt to rescue a gift for his grown daughter from an apartment collapse magnifies all he doesn't know about her. And in -Snakes, - the mixed-race daughter of intellectuals recounts the disastrous summer she spent with her white grandmother and cousin, a summer that has...



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