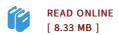




Tartuffe and the Bourgeois Gentleman: A Dual-Language Book (Paperback)

By Moliere

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