



Oy Pioneer!: A Novel

By Marleen S. Barr

University of Wisconsin Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Oy Pioneer!: A Novel, Marleen S. Barr, What would happen if a feminist Jewish wit and scholar invaded David Lodge's territory? Marleen S. Barr, herself a pioneer in the feminist criticism of science fiction, provides a giddily entertaining answer in this feisty novel. Oy Pioneer! follows professor Sondra Lear as she makes her inimitable way through a world of learning - at times fantastic, at times all too familiar, often hilarious, and always compulsively interesting. As if Mcl Brooks and Erica Jong had joined forces to recreate Sex and the City for the intellectual set, the story is a heady mix of Jewish humor, feminist insight, and academic satire. Lear is a tenured radical and a wildly ambitious intellectual, but is subject nonetheless to the husband-hunting imperatives of her Jewish mother. Her adventures expand narrative parameters according to Barr's term "genre fission." Mixing elements of science fiction, fantasy, ethnic comedy, satire, and authentic experience of academic life, Oy Pioneer! is uncommonly lively and hilarious - a Jewish feminist scholar's imaginative text boldly going where no academic satire has gone before - and bringing readers along for an exhilarating ride.



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