In *Talking It Over* Gillian and Stuart were married until Oliver - witty, feckless Oliver - stole Gillian away. In *Love, etc* Julian Barnes revisits the three of them, using the same intimate technique of allowing the characters to speak directly to the reader, to whisper their secrets, to argue for their version of the truth. Darker and deeper than its predecessor, *Love, etc* is a compelling exploration of contemporary love and its betrayals.