

## Transitions Through Homelessness Lives on the Edge

Carol McNaughton

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Who are 'the homeless'? How is homelessness really experienced in contemporary society? And how do these people then attempt to make a transition back- to find a 'home' once more?

These are some of the questions considered in this study, which follows a group of people making a transition out of homelessness for a year in their lives. The experiences of each individual are set within autobiographical accounts of their lives before, during, and in some cases, after being a 'homeless person'. This opens the door to what may be to many readers a hidden world of trauma, poverty, and marginality in the UK.

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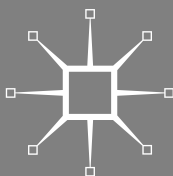
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