

An old man awakens, disoriented, in an unfamiliar chamber. With no memory of who he is or how he has arrived there, he pores over the relics on the desk, examining the circumstances of his confinement and searching his own hazy mind for clues. Determining that he is locked in, the man identified only as Mr. Blank begins reading a manuscript he finds on the desk, the story of another prisoner, set in an alternate world the man doesn't recognize. Nevertheless, the pages seem to have been left for him, along with a haunting set of photographs. As the day passes, various characters call on the man in his cell—vaguely familiar people, some who seem to resent him for crimes he can't remember—and each brings frustrating hints of his identity and his past. All the while an overhead camera clicks and clicks, recording his movements, and a microphone records every sound in the room. Someone is watching. Both chilling and poignant, *Travels in the Scriptorium* is vintage Paul Auster: mysterious texts, fluid identities, a hidden past, and, somewhere, an obscure tormentor. And yet, as we discover during one day in the life of Mr. Blank, his world is not so different from our own.

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“*Travels in the Scriptorium*” even sounds like the title of a workshop, and the writing-school ambience takes a while to disperse. On Page 1 a man sits on a strange bed in a strange room. *Travels in the Scriptorium*. An old man awakens, disoriented, in an unfamiliar chamber. With no memory of who he is or how he has arrived there, he pores over the relics on the desk, examining the circumstances of his confinement and searching his own hazy mind for clues. Look up *scriptorium* in an illustrated dictionary and, underneath its primary meaning of a room set aside in a monastery for the writing or. On the centennial year of Samuel Beckett's birth, Auster's new novel nods to the old master. We open with a man sitting in a room. The man.

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Now Paul Auster has added to this small and not exactly welcome sub-genre with *Travels in the Scriptorium*. In many ways this is not an.

An old man awakens, disoriented, in an unfamiliar chamber. With no memory of who he is or how he has arrived there, he pores over the relics on the desk. As a contemporary parable, however, *Travels in the Scriptorium* ultimately ends up somewhat like its protagonist: guilt-ridden, self-important. *Travels in the Scriptorium* may please some Auster fans but is likely to be offputting to anyone new to his stuff. For them a good starting point. Paul Auster “*Travels in the Scriptorium*. with one comment. Auster's book, I read last, explores metaphysical mazes, stories within stories and. *Travels in the Scriptorium* details a day in the life of Mr. Blank, an old man who wakes up in a room not knowing who he is or why he is there. The room, a sort of . Both chilling and poignant, *Travels in the Scriptorium* is vintage Paul Auster: mysterious texts, fluid identities, a hidden past, and, somewhere.

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