

SILENCE

By Engin Akyürek

Translated from Turkish by Doina L. Kovalik and Atiye Erden

Silence, by Turkish movie and T.V. star Engin Akyürek, bridges both cultures and time, finding the universal in the lives of children, of family, and of community.

Silence's 21 short stories take us to Turkey and a time when people got to know people by looking in their eyes, to touch people by talking to them, and to understand each other by listening. The times when the kids were still kids, when they started a ball game as soon as they found an empty field, when neighbors stopped by uninvited, holidays were celebrated all together, the happiness and the sorrow shared by all.

Since its release in 2018, Silence has been published into several languages. Now Silence has been translated into English, bringing this stunning work to new audiences.



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About Engin Akyürek

Born in 1981 in Ankara, Turkey, Akyürek first came to fame in 2004 when he won the Türkiye'nin Yıldizlari (Turkey's Star) TV competition. Since then, his credits include five feature films and nine TV series. Throughout his career, Akyürek has always had a love of writing. He continues to express himself by writing short stories for the *Kafasma Göre* literary magazine.

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