Amsterdam by Ian McEwan

- published 1998
- Themes
  - death
    - euthanasia
      - characters' failures
  - friendship
  - morality
    - original sin
      - characters
      - garden of Eden/Remebrance
  - Art
    - over life?
      - rape
    - of journalism?
- Characters
  - Clive
    - musician
      - art
    - morality?
      - rape
  - Vernon
    - hack
      - writer
      - flea?
  - Molly
    - restaurant critic
      - photographer
    - pix of Garmony?
      - tart?
  - Garmony
    - politician
      - deviant sexuality?
  - George
    - carer
      - vengeful?
  - Frank
    - spy
      - child molester?
  - rounded chs or symbols?
- Narrative
  - Time
    - flashbacks
      - more or less sense?
  - language
    - short sentences
      - easy read
    - technical descriptions of musical script
  - understatement
    - illnesses
      - Clive
      - Vernon
    - rape scene
    - British
  - narrator
    - distance from chs.
      - puppets?
  - stream of consciousness
    - Last chapters
      - deaths