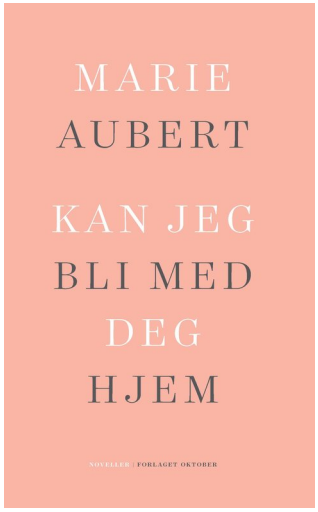

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Can I Come Home with You

In these nine stories the distance is short from longing to shamelessness, and from shamelessness to transgression.

A worn-out father hits his daughter and tries to stop her from telling others. A sixteen year old girl sneaks into somebody else's house. A young woman has bruises on her body and doesn't know if she likes it. A man goes to South America with his wife to adopt a boy, but finds himself drawn to a slightly too old girl.

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Marie Aubert was born i 1979 and lives in Oslo. *Can I Come Home with You* is her first book. In 2013 the story *Just Do It* won a short story contest held by Litteratur på Blå in cooperation with the magazine *Vinduet*.

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