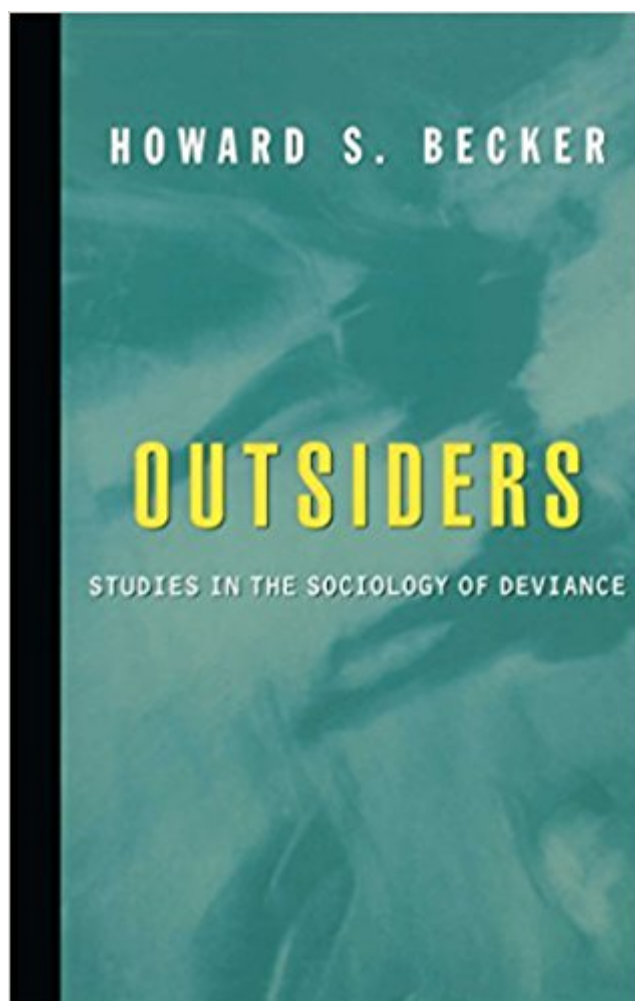


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# Outsiders: Studies In The Sociology Of Deviance



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Howard S. Becker is a sociologist, professor, and writer who received his doctorate at the University of Chicago. With extensive work studying drug culture and social deviance, Becker is credited with providing the foundations for labeling theory. His most famous text, *Outsiders*, was originally released in 1963. He currently resides in San Francisco.

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