



***THIS IS WHERE I LEAVE YOU***  
**by Jonathan Tropper**  
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## **From Ben Sevier's "Editor Buzz Panel" Talk, BEA, May 29th 2009:**

...We all say to each other all the time in publishing that the only thing that really sells books is word of mouth, and so I'll just close with a few thoughts on who the readers are that I think will like *This Is Where I Leave You*. Maybe this will describe you or maybe you'll recognize someone who shops in your store or visits your library or reads your publication. If more than one of the following describes you or someone you know then grab a copy of *This Is Where I Leave You*, we have galleys in the back of the room and at the Penguin booth and Jonathan will be signing and speaking here at BEA tomorrow. So here is my cheat sheet for finding a reader for that galley you're going to pick up, and remember you just need two of these to qualify:

**If you like Tom Perrotta you will like this book.**

**If you enjoyed the movie Dan in Real Life you will like this book.**

**If you like Nick Hornby you will like this book.**

**If you cry in movies you will like this book.**

**If you have a big family that drives you crazy you will like this book.**

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**If you sing along when you watch The Big Chill you will like this book.**

**If you have seen either The Royal Tenenbaums or Garden State more than once you will like this book.**

**If you like any film by Wes Anderson or Hal Hartley or John Hughes you will like this book.**

**If you have ever been so wronged by someone in a relationship that you don't know if you hate them or love them or both, you will like this book.**

Most importantly, if you like books about real, relatable characters living the big and small moments in their lives with depth and emotion and humor and warmth, you will like this book, because that is what Jonathan Tropper does as well as anyone writing fiction these days, and that is what makes *This Is Where I Leave You* an exceptional novel.

Thank you.

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