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Who is writing the texts that the protagonist of this novel keeps finding in the most unexpected places? Firstly, within the pages of a bible, later in the walls of an abandoned lighthouse and in a doctor's waiting room in Vienna. The hidden stories speak about him and his life: the man he could have been and the man he may end up becoming. They are disturbing texts that compel him to look in the mirror and analyze the state of his existence. But what can one mirror facing another truly reflect? The questions that these texts provoke force him to undertake a journey that will change him forever.

L'home manuscrit is the story of a man dissatisfied with his past who, from the point of view of a lucid present, re-makes his life to create his own future. Manuel Baixauli has written an ambitious, intense and imaginative novel about the passion for literature and its ability to transform the shape of our lives, to change our fate and put the power of our destiny in our own hands.

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