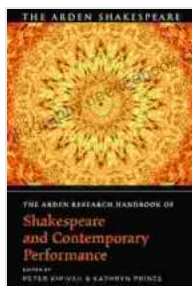


The Arden Research Handbook of Shakespeare and Contemporary Performance: A Comprehensive Guide to Modern Interpretations

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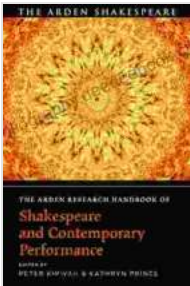
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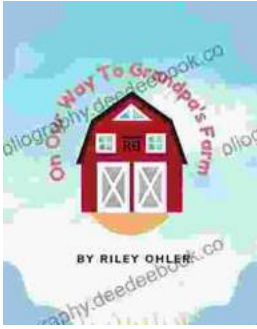
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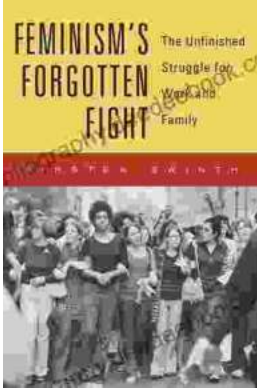
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