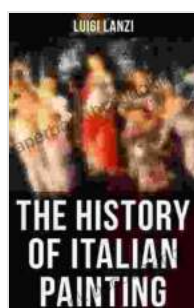


The History of Italian Painting: Unveiling the Grandeur of Italian Art

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Renaissance masters revolutionized painting with their innovations in perspective and naturalism.

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Neoclassicism drew inspiration from antiquity while Romanticism embraced emotion and the sublime.

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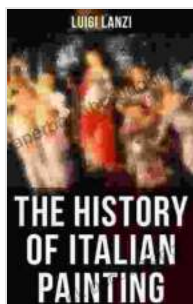
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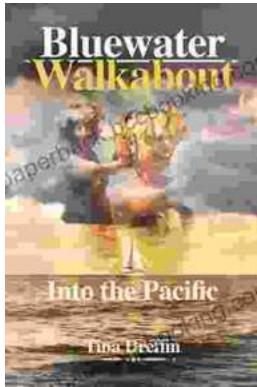
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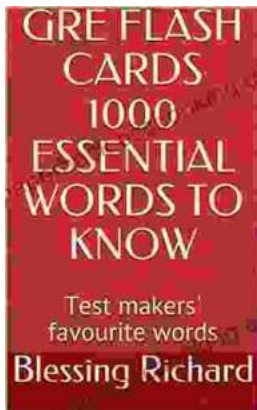
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