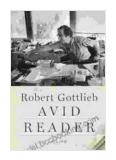
Avid Reader Life: Robert Gottlieb



Robert Gottlieb is one of the most influential literary figures of the 20th century. As an editor at Simon & Schuster, Knopf, and The New Yorker, he has worked with some of the most important writers of our time, including Toni Morrison, Salman Rushdie, and John Updike. He is also the author of several books, including the acclaimed memoir "Avid Reader."

In "Avid Reader," Gottlieb shares his insights into the writing and editing process, and offers a unique perspective on the literary landscape of the past half-century. He writes about his early days as an editor at Simon & Schuster, where he worked with authors such as Saul Bellow, Philip Roth, and Norman Mailer. He also discusses his time at Knopf, where he published some of the most important books of the 20th century, including "Beloved" by Toni Morrison and "The Satanic Verses" by Salman Rushdie.



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Gottlieb's memoir is a fascinating read for anyone interested in writing, editing, or literature. He offers a wealth of insights into the creative process, and his stories about working with some of the greatest writers of our time are both inspiring and entertaining.

The Early Years

Robert Gottlieb was born in New York City in 1931. He grew up in a literary household; his father was a writer and editor, and his mother was a librarian. Gottlieb attended Harvard College, where he studied English literature. After graduating from Harvard, Gottlieb worked as an editor at several small publishing houses before landing a job at Simon & Schuster in 1955.

At Simon & Schuster, Gottlieb quickly rose through the ranks. He became editor-in-chief in 1964, and under his leadership, the company published some of the most important books of the decade, including "Catch-22" by Joseph Heller and "The Group" by Mary McCarthy.

The Knopf Years

In 1968, Gottlieb left Simon & Schuster to become editor-in-chief of Knopf. At Knopf, he continued to publish some of the most important books of the time, including "Beloved" by Toni Morrison, "The Satanic Verses" by Salman Rushdie, and "Midnight's Children" by Salman Rushdie.

Gottlieb's tenure at Knopf was marked by his commitment to publishing quality literature. He was also known for his willingness to take risks on new and unknown writers. He published the first books by Toni Morrison, Salman Rushdie, and John Updike, among others.

The New Yorker Years

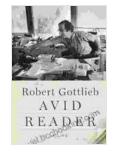
In 1987, Gottlieb left Knopf to become editor of The New Yorker. He held this position until 1995, and during his time there, he oversaw the publication of some of the magazine's most memorable pieces, including "The White Album" by Joan Didion and "The Devil's Highway" by Luis Alberto Urrea.

Gottlieb's tenure at The New Yorker was also marked by his commitment to quality journalism. He published some of the most important reporting of the time, including Seymour Hersh's exposé of the My Lai massacre and David Grann's account of the sinking of the Andrea Doria.

The Legacy of Robert Gottlieb

Robert Gottlieb has had a profound impact on the literary landscape of the past half-century. He has published some of the most important books of our time, and he has helped to shape the careers of some of the most important writers of our time. He is a true giant of the publishing world, and

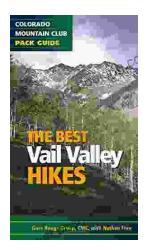
his legacy will continue to inspire and influence writers and editors for generations to come.



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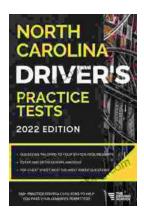
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