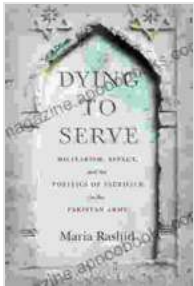


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used emotions such as pride and sacrifice to create a sense of unity and purpose among its members.

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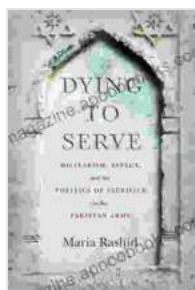
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