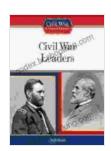
# **Nation Divided: A History of American Conflict**

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McPherson begins his story with the Revolution, when Americans fought for independence from Great Britain. He shows how the Revolution was a deeply divisive event, with Americans divided over the question of whether to break away from the British Empire. The war left a legacy of bitterness and division that would continue to haunt the nation for generations to come.

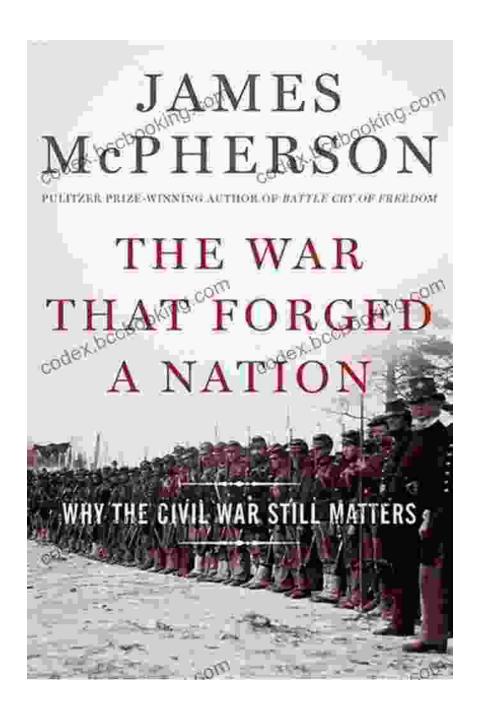
The Civil War was the most cataclysmic conflict in American history. McPherson argues that the war was caused by a deep-seated conflict over the issue of slavery. The war pitted North against South, and it resulted in the deaths of over 600,000 Americans. The war left a legacy of racial

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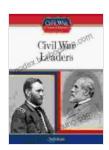
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### **About the Author**

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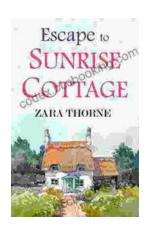


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