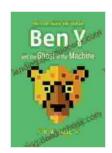
# The Kids Under the Stairs: A Haunting Tale of Horror and Isolation

Released in 1995, Wes Craven's The Kids Under the Stairs is a haunting tale of horror and isolation. The film tells the story of two siblings, Kevin (Noah Fleiss) and Julie (Anya Sowinski), who are trapped in their home by a pair of psychotic killers, Freddy (Michael Rooker) and Sorority (Wendy Robie).



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Kevin and Julie's parents are out of town, and they are left home alone with their cruel and neglectful aunt and uncle. When the siblings hear strange noises coming from the basement, they investigate and discover Freddy and Sorority. The two killers are holding a group of children captive in the basement, and they are torturing and killing them.

Kevin and Julie are horrified by what they see, and they try to escape. However, Freddy and Sorority catch them and lock them in the basement with the other children. The siblings must now find a way to escape before they become the killers' next victims.

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The film was a critical and commercial failure upon its release, but it has since gained a cult following. Critics have praised the film's atmosphere, suspense, and social commentary. The film has also been cited as an influence on a number of other horror films, including Cabin Fever (2002) and The Collector (2009).

#### The Cast of The Kids Under the Stairs

The cast of The Kids Under the Stairs includes:

- Noah Fleiss as Kevin
- Anya Sowinski as Julie
- Michael Rooker as Freddy
- Wendy Robie as Sorority
- Devin Ratray as Sponge

- Tomatoes as Snake
- Vinessa Shaw as Alice

#### The Production of The Kids Under the Stairs

The Kids Under the Stairs was filmed on location in Los Angeles, California. The film's budget was \$10 million. The film was shot in 28 days.

The film's production was troubled. Craven was unhappy with the studio's interference, and he clashed with the producers on a number of issues. The film's release was also delayed by a number of factors, including the studio's bankruptcy.

#### The Release of The Kids Under the Stairs

The Kids Under the Stairs was released in the United States on January 13, 1995. The film was a critical and commercial failure. It grossed only \$5 million at the box office. The film was also poorly received by critics, who found it to be too dark and disturbing.

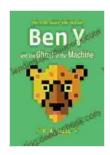
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The Kids Under the Stairs is a powerful and disturbing film that will stay with you long after the credits have rolled.



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