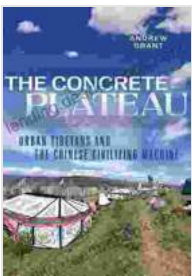


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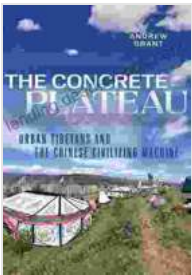
- Discrimination and prejudice from Han Chinese
- Government policies aimed at assimilating them into Chinese culture
- Limited access to education and employment opportunities
- Poor living conditions
- Health problems

Despite these challenges, urban Tibetans have also found ways to resist the civilizing mission. They have preserved their culture and religion through a variety of means, including:

- Establishing Tibetan language schools and cultural centers
- Practicing Tibetan Buddhism
- Wearing traditional Tibetan clothing
- Participating in Tibetan festivals

The experiences of urban Tibetans in China are a complex and challenging issue. The Chinese government's civilizing mission has had a significant impact on their lives, but they have also found ways to resist assimilation and preserve their culture. The research conducted by the Weatherhead East Asian Institute provides valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities facing urban Tibetans in China.

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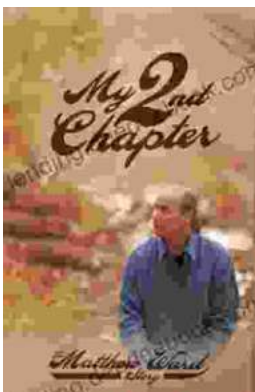
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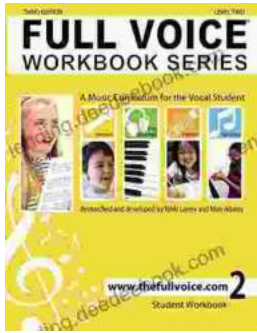
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