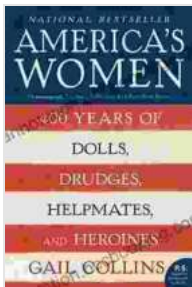


# 400 Years of Dolls: Drudges, Helpmates, and Heroines

By [Author's Name]

From humble beginnings as playthings for children to sophisticated works of art, dolls have played a significant role in human history. This book explores the evolution of dolls over four centuries, from their origins in the 17th century to their modern-day incarnations. With over 200 illustrations, 400 Years of Dolls is a must-have for anyone interested in the history of dolls, fashion, and popular culture.



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The book is divided into four parts, each of which focuses on a different aspect of the history of dolls. The first part, "Drudges," explores the early days of dollmaking, when dolls were primarily used as playthings for children. These dolls were often made of simple materials, such as wood, cloth, and paper, and they were often used to teach children about the roles they would play in society. The second part of the book, "Helpmates,"

examines the role of dolls in the lives of women. Dolls were often used to teach girls about domestic skills, such as sewing, cooking, and childcare. They were also used as companions and confidantes, and they could provide comfort and support during difficult times. The third part of the book, "Heroines," explores the role of dolls in popular culture. Dolls have been used to represent everything from fashion icons to political figures, and they have played a significant role in shaping our understanding of the world around us. The fourth part of the book, "The Future of Dolls," looks at the future of dollmaking. With the advent of new technologies, dolls are becoming more sophisticated and lifelike than ever before. This section explores the potential for dolls to play an even greater role in our lives in the years to come.

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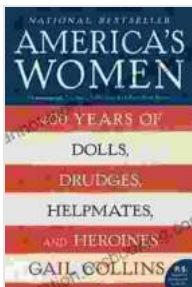
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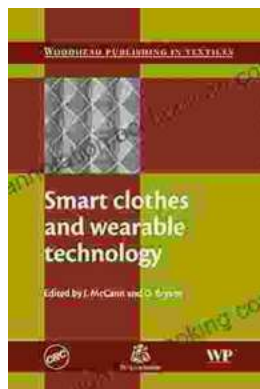
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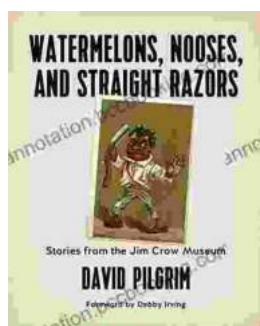
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