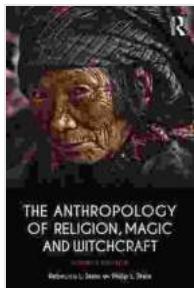


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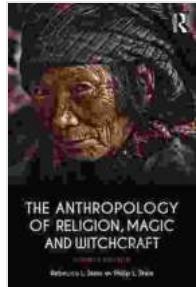
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Anthropologists continue to explore the ways in which religion, magic, and witchcraft manifest themselves in contemporary society.

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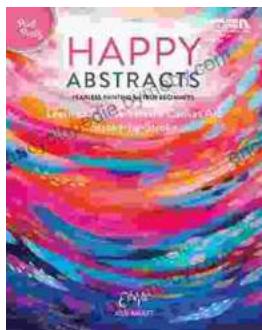


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