The Last Days of Old China: A Literary Journey Through a Bygone Era

Prepare to be captivated by "The Last Days of Old China: New York Review Classics," a masterpiece that transports you to a time of extraordinary change and cultural ferment. This anthology, meticulously curated by renowned scholars Jonathan Spence and Michael Berry, offers a captivating glimpse into the final years of the Qing dynasty, a pivotal period that witnessed the demise of an ancient empire and the birth of a new China.



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Unveiling the Voices of a Lost Era

Within its pages, you'll encounter the writings of some of the most influential Chinese intellectuals of the early 20th century, including Lu Xun, Zhou Zuoren, and Lin Yutang. These literary giants, with their sharp wit and keen observations, provide an insider's perspective on the tumultuous events unfolding around them.



Through their essays, short stories, and poems, you'll witness the rise of nationalism, the clash between tradition and modernity, and the struggles of individuals caught in the throes of social upheaval. Their words both illuminate and haunt, offering a vivid portrayal of a China in transition.

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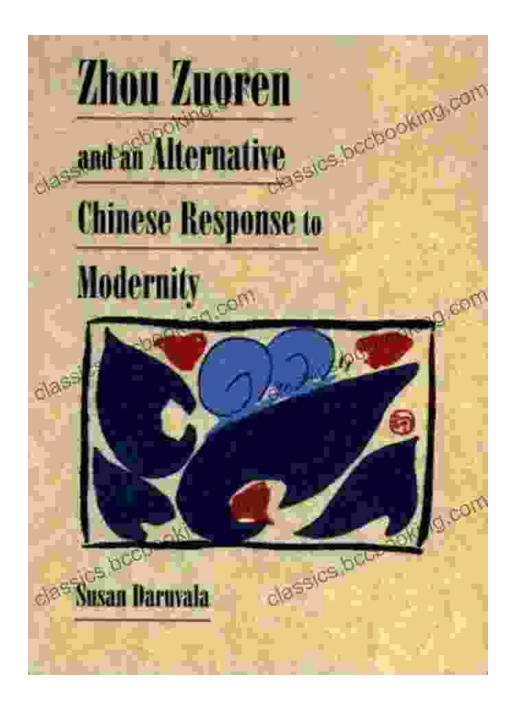
Witness the vibrant tapestry of Chinese life during the final years of the Qing dynasty.

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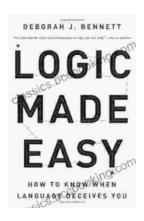
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