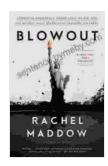
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In his groundbreaking book, Corrupted Democracy, investigative journalist and Russia expert Luke Harding provides a comprehensive and deeply researched account of how Russia's democracy was corrupted and how this has led to the country's descent into a rogue state.

Harding argues that the seeds of Russia's corruption were sown in the early 1990s, when Boris Yeltsin's government privatized the country's vast natural resources. This process was overseen by a group of ruthless

oligarchs who used their newfound wealth to buy political influence and control the media.

When Vladimir Putin came to power in 2000, he promised to crack down on corruption. But instead, he consolidated the power of the oligarchs and used them to further his own personal and political ambitions.

Under Putin, Russia has become a kleptocracy, where the state and the oligarchs are one and the same. The country's vast wealth is plundered by a small group of elites, while the majority of Russians live in poverty.

Harding's book is a chilling indictment of Putin's regime and its devastating impact on Russia. He provides a wealth of evidence to show how the Kremlin has rigged elections, suppressed dissent, and assassinated its opponents.

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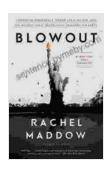
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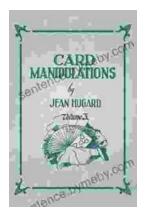
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