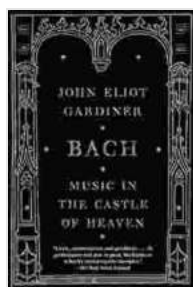


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Johann Sebastian Bach is one of the greatest composers of all time. His music is a testament to his genius, and it continues to inspire and move listeners centuries after his death. *Bach Music in the Castle of Heaven* is a stunning exploration of Bach's life and work, from his early years in Eisenach to his final days in Leipzig. Along the way, author Peter Phillips explores the mathematical and spiritual underpinnings of Bach's music, and reveals how it has inspired generations of listeners and performers.

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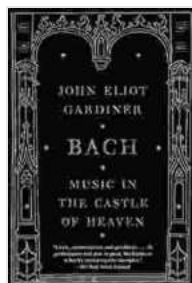
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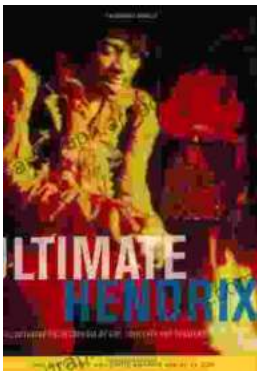
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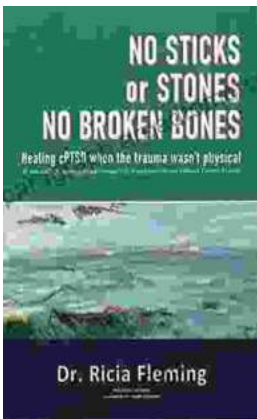
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