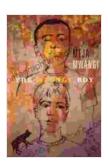
# The Mzungu Boy: A Timeless Tale of Identity, Belonging, and the Search for Home

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Mzungu's father is a white British colonialist, and his mother is a Kenyan woman. As a result of his mixed heritage, Mzungu is an outsider in both the white and black communities. He is rejected by the white community because he is not white enough, and he is rejected by the black community because he is not black enough. This leaves Mzungu feeling lost and alone, searching for a place where he can truly belong.



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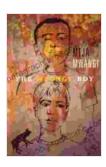
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