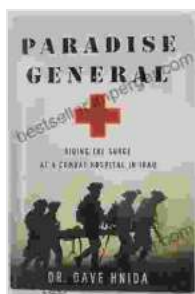


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By T.M. Christiansen

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In his gripping and unforgettable memoir, *Riding the Surge at Combat Hospital in Iraq*, T.M. Christiansen recounts his experiences as a chaplain at the 34th Combat Support Hospital in Baghdad from 2007-2008. With vivid prose and raw emotion, he paints a vivid picture of life at the hospital, where the constant threat of violence was punctuated by moments of unexpected grace and humor.

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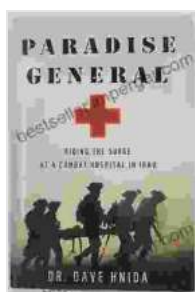
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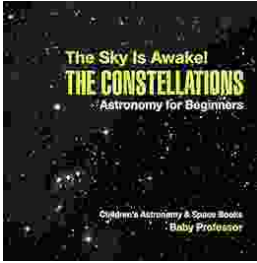


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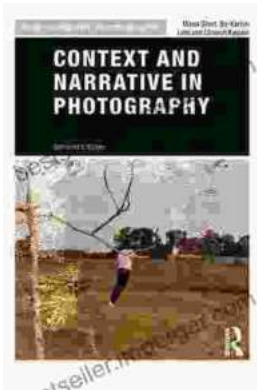
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