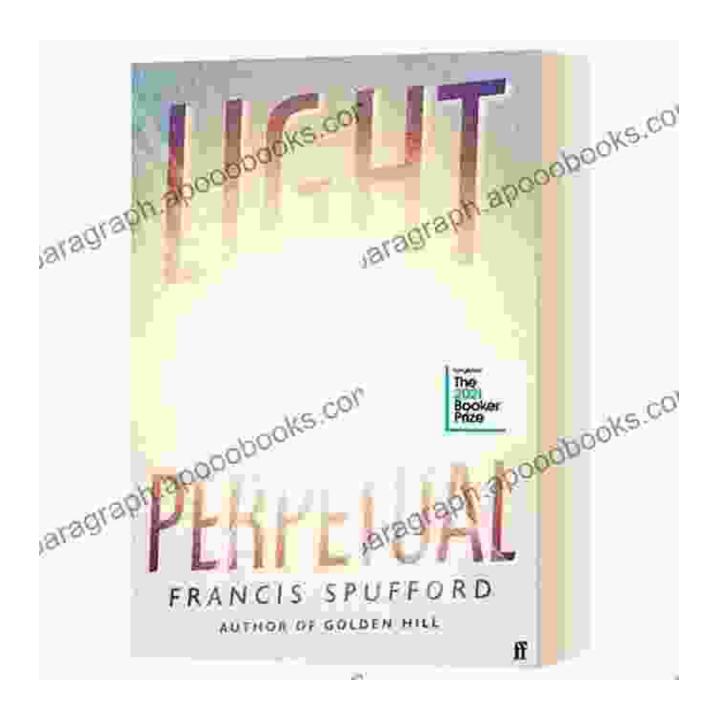
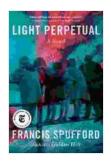
Light Perpetual: A Haunting and Unforgettable Historical Novel



Light Perpetual: A Novel by Francis Spufford

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About the Book

Francis Spufford's *Light Perpetual* is a sweeping historical novel that follows a group of characters through the tumultuous events of the 20th century. The novel begins in 1918, in the aftermath of World War I, and follows the characters as they navigate the challenges of the interwar years, World War II, the Holocaust, and the Cold War. Spufford's writing is lyrical and deeply moving, and he brings the characters and their experiences to life with vivid detail. *Light Perpetual* is a must-read for fans of historical fiction and anyone interested in the human condition.

The Characters

Light Perpetual features a large cast of characters, each with their own unique story to tell. The novel follows the characters as they grow up, fall in love, have children, and face the challenges of life in the 20th century. Some of the most memorable characters include:

Una Birch: A young woman who comes of age during World War I.
 Una is a strong and independent woman, and she faces the challenges of her time with courage and determination.

- George Birch: Una's brother, who is a pilot in the Royal Air Force during World War II. George is a brave and dedicated soldier, but he is also haunted by the horrors of war.
- Harald Niven: A German soldier who fights in World War II. Harald is a complex and conflicted character, and he struggles to reconcile his duty to his country with his own moral beliefs.
- Charmian Cliffe: A young woman who survives the Holocaust.
 Charmian is a strong and resilient woman, and she is determined to rebuild her life after the horrors she has endured.

The Themes

Light Perpetual explores a number of complex and important themes, including:

- The impact of war on individuals and families
- The nature of good and evil
- The power of resilience and hope
- The importance of human connection

Spufford's novel is a powerful and moving exploration of the human condition. It is a must-read for anyone interested in history, war, or the human spirit.

Critical Acclaim

Light Perpetual has received widespread critical acclaim. The novel has been praised for its lyrical writing, its complex and well-developed

characters, and its thought-provoking themes. Here is a sample of what critics have said about the novel:



""Spufford's prose is as sharp as a knife, and his characters are unforgettable. Light Perpetual is a masterpiece of historical fiction." - The New York Times

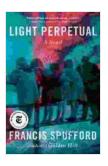
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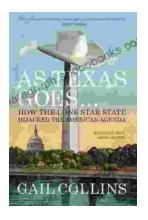
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