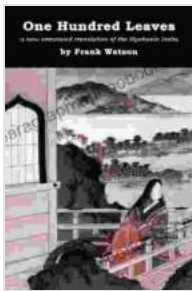


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Sample Poems

Poem 1: By Emperor Tenji



This poem, written by the 38th emperor of Japan, Tenji, expresses the joy of spring and the ephemeral nature of life. The cherry blossoms, a symbol of springtime in Japan, represent the beauty that is fleeting and must be cherished while it lasts.

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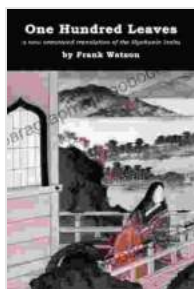
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