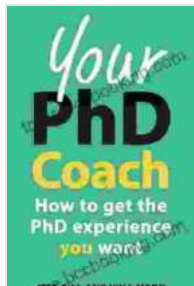


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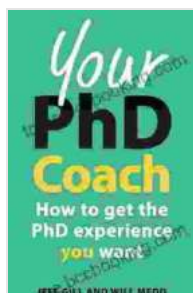
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PhD graduates can play significant roles in government agencies and policymaking. This book provides insight into the career opportunities available in the public sector.

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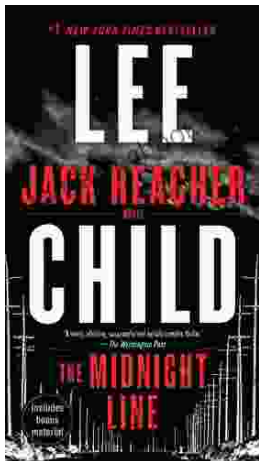
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