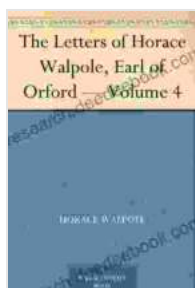


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Walpole: A Man of Many Facets

Horace Walpole was a figure of great influence and significance in 18th century England. Known for his exquisite taste in art and architecture, Walpole transformed his estate, Strawberry Hill, into a Gothic Revival masterpiece. As a Member of Parliament, he witnessed firsthand the

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A Literary Legacy

Walpole's letters stand as a remarkable literary achievement, renowned for their wit, erudition, and historical value. He wrote over 3,000 letters throughout his life, offering an intimate and often scandalous account of the social, political, and cultural landscape of his time. His correspondents included intellectuals such as Voltaire, Madame du Deffand, and Thomas Gray, as well as friends and family members.

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Art, Politics, and Society

Walpole's letters offer a unique perspective on the artistic and political landscape of 18th century England. He was a passionate collector of art and antiquities, and his letters are filled with descriptions of his latest acquisitions and his observations on the art world. Walpole was also an active participant in politics, and his letters provide insights into the political debates and events of the time.

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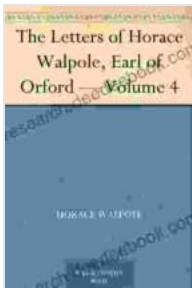
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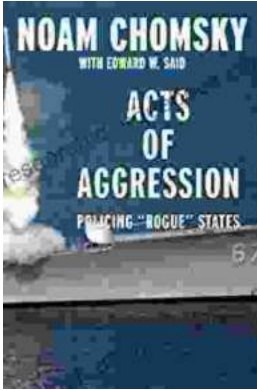
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