

Secondhand Time: The Last of the Soviets

Svetlana Alexievich's *Secondhand Time* is a sweeping and intimate portrait of the last generation to come of age in the Soviet Union. Through a series of interviews, Alexievich gives voice to the people who lived through the collapse of the Soviet Union, and she captures the pain, loss, and resilience of a generation that was left behind.



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Alexievich's subjects are from all walks of life: a factory worker, a teacher, a doctor, a soldier. They share their memories of the Soviet Union, and they talk about how their lives have changed since the collapse of the USSR. Some of them are nostalgic for the old days, while others are grateful for the new freedoms that they now enjoy. But all of them are grappling with the challenges of living in a rapidly changing world.

Secondhand Time is a powerful and moving story that offers a unique glimpse into the lives of the people who lived through the collapse of the

Soviet Union. Alexievich's writing is sensitive and compassionate, and she gives voice to the people who are often forgotten in the grand narratives of history.

A Work of Historical Importance

In addition to its literary merits, *Secondhand Time* is also a work of great historical importance. Alexievich's interviews provide a unique firsthand account of the collapse of the Soviet Union, and they offer insights into the human cost of this momentous event.

Secondhand Time is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the history of the Soviet Union and the impact that its collapse has had on the lives of its people.

Reviews

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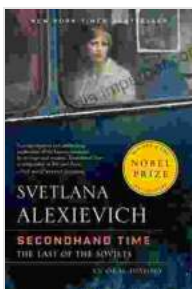
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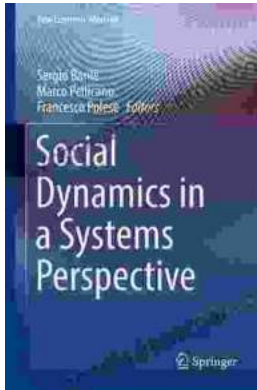
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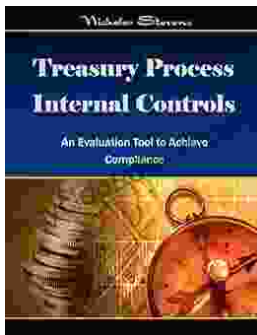
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