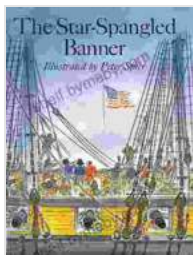


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Francis Scott Key: A Poet Inspired by War

As the relentless bombardment of the fort raged, Key watched from a British ship, his heart heavy with trepidation. He penned a poem that would immortalize the defiant spirit of the American soldiers and sailors.

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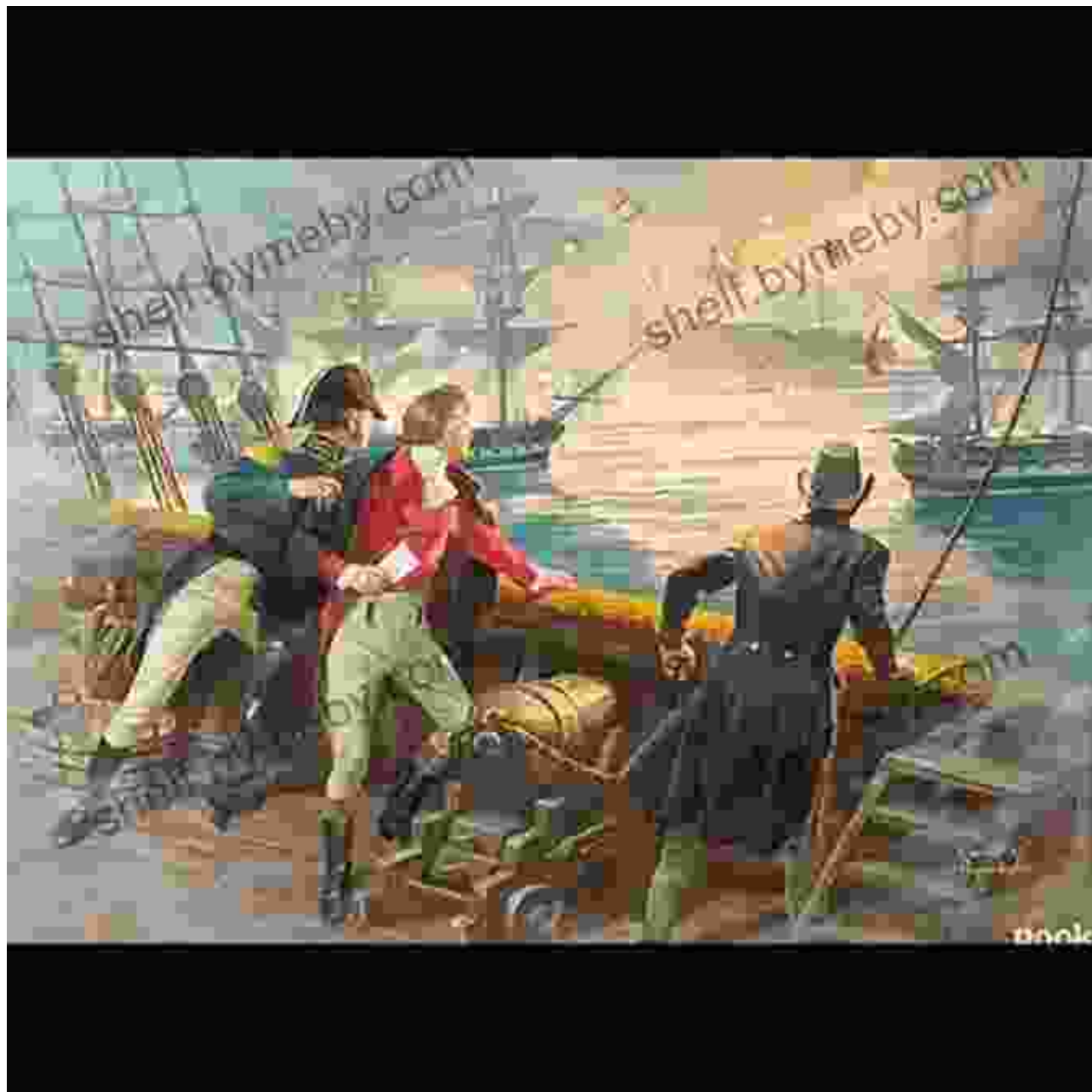
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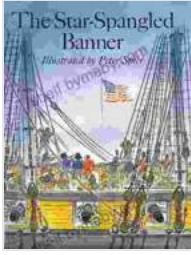
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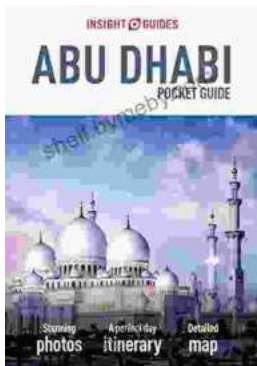
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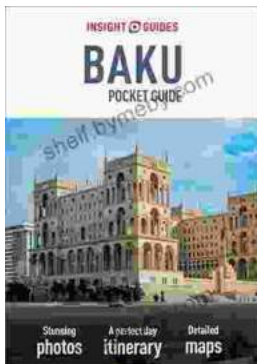


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