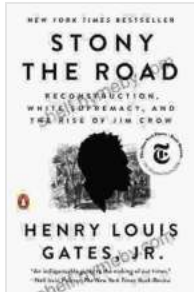


# Reconstruction, White Supremacy, and the Rise of Jim Crow



## Stony the Road: Reconstruction, White Supremacy, and the Rise of Jim Crow by Henry Louis Gates Jr.

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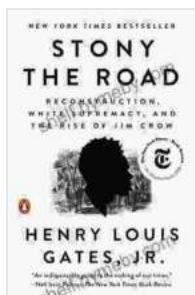
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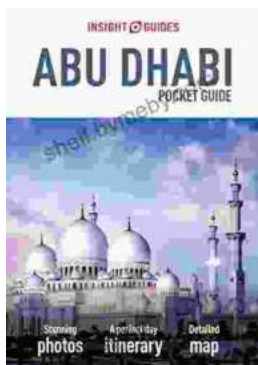
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