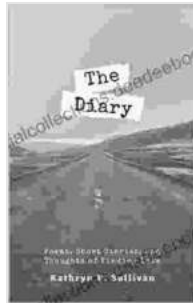


The Diary of Ai Li: A Window into the Life of a Chinese Girl in Wartime



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The Diary of Ai Li is a firsthand account of life in China during the Second Sino-Japanese War. Written by a young girl named Ai Li, the diary provides a unique perspective on the war and its impact on ordinary people.

Ai Li was born in the city of Nanjing in 1930. Her father was a doctor and her mother was a teacher. Ai Li had a happy childhood, but her life was turned upside down when the Japanese invaded China in 1937.

The Japanese occupation of Nanjing was a time of great terror. The Japanese soldiers committed widespread atrocities, including murder, rape, and torture. Ai Li and her family were forced to flee their home and live in hiding.

In her diary, Ai Li describes the horrors of the Japanese occupation. She writes about seeing dead bodies in the streets, and about being afraid to go outside for fear of being attacked. She also writes about the resilience of the Chinese people, and about their determination to resist the Japanese invasion.

The Diary of Ai Li is a powerful and moving account of life in China during the Second Sino-Japanese War. It is a valuable historical document that provides a unique perspective on the war and its impact on ordinary people.

Ai Li's Diary

Ai Li's diary begins on July 7, 1937, the day that the Japanese invaded China. In her first entry, Ai Li writes about the excitement and anticipation that she felt as she watched the Japanese planes fly overhead.



“July 7, 1937

Today, the Japanese invaded China. I am so excited! I have never seen anything like this before. The Japanese planes are flying overhead, and the bombs are exploding all around us. I can't believe that this is happening. I am so scared, but I am also so excited. This is going to be a great adventure.”

As the war progresses, Ai Li's diary entries become increasingly dark and depressing. She writes about the death and destruction that she sees all around her.



“August 15, 1937

I saw a dead body today. It was a little girl, about my age. She had been shot in the head. I don't know who killed her, but I am sure that it was the Japanese. I am so scared. I don't know what is going to happen to me.”

Despite the horrors that she witnesses, Ai Li never loses her hope for the future. She writes about her dreams of a better world, and about her belief that China will eventually defeat the Japanese.



“December 13, 1937

I believe that China will win the war. I know that it will be a long and difficult fight, but I am confident that we will prevail. We are a strong and resilient people, and we will not be defeated.”

The Diary of Ai Li ends on August 15, 1945, the day that Japan surrendered. Ai Li was 15 years old when the war ended. She had witnessed firsthand the horrors of war, but she had also learned the importance of hope and resilience.

The Legacy of Ai Li's Diary

The Diary of Ai Li has been translated into more than 20 languages and has been read by millions of people around the world. It is a powerful

reminder of the horrors of war and the importance of peace.

Ai Li's diary has also been used as a teaching tool in schools and universities. It is a valuable resource for students who are studying the Second Sino-Japanese War and the history of China.

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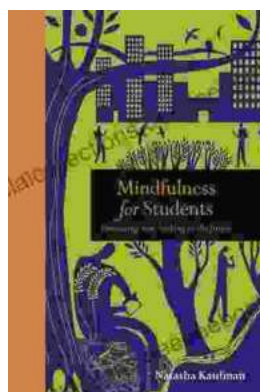
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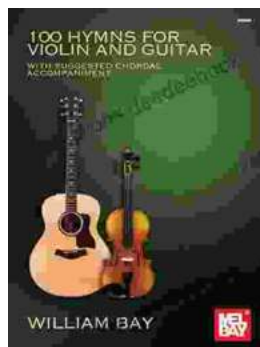


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