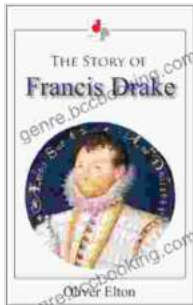


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## **Early Life and the Dawn of Exploration**



Francis Drake was born in Tavistock, Devon, England, in 1540. From a humble background, he displayed an unyielding thirst for adventure at a young age. Joining the merchant navy, Drake honed his seafaring skills and gained invaluable experience in navigation and combat. His daring raids on Spanish treasure ships in the Caribbean earned him notoriety and laid the foundation for his future exploits.

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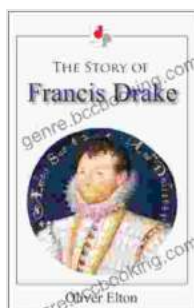


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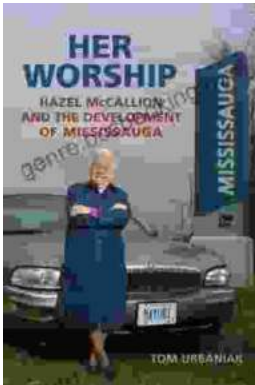
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