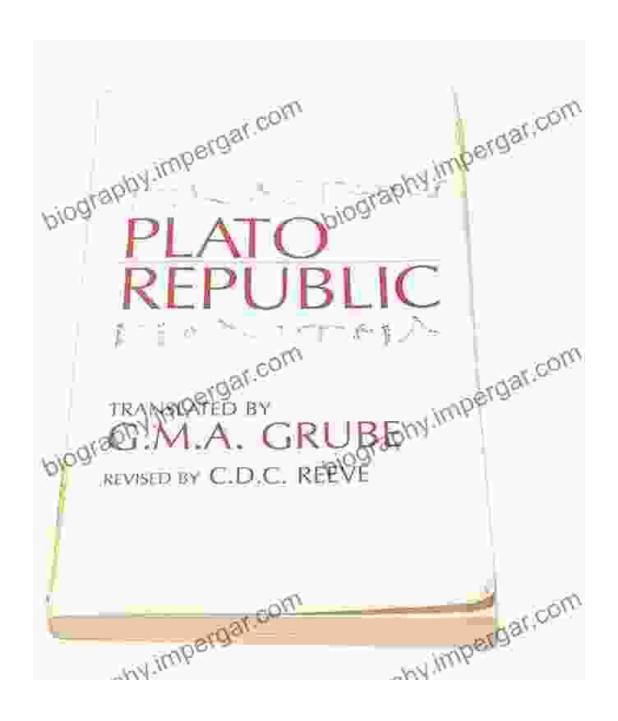
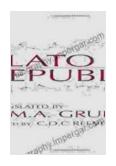
# Unveiling the Timeless Wisdom of Plato's Republic: A Journey into Political Philosophy's Foundation



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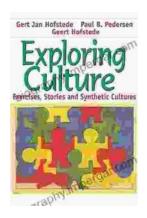
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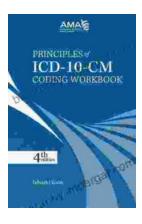
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