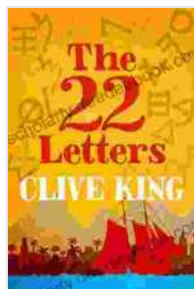


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One of the central themes in *The 22 Letters* is the power of symbols. King explores how letters, as graphical representations, carry deep symbolic meanings. He traces the origins of letter forms, showing how they have evolved over time to convey specific ideas, concepts, and emotions. By examining the history and symbolism of each letter, King unveils the hidden stories and cultural significance that lie within the written word.

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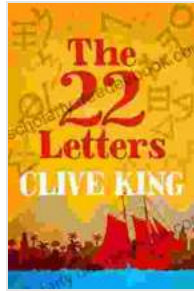
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Clive King's *The 22 Letters* is a timeless masterpiece that celebrates the written word. Through his exploration of the alphabet, its symbols, and its stories, King invites us to marvel at the intricate nature of language and its profound impact on human civilization. *The 22 Letters* is a must-read for anyone interested in language, literature, typography, or the human condition.

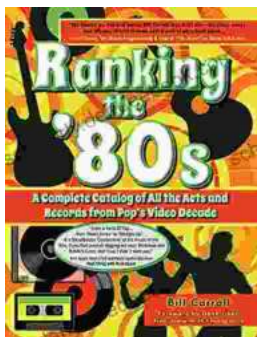


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