Childhood: An English Translation by William Parrett

Childhood is a novel by Maxim Gorky, first published in 1913–1914. It is the first part of his autobiographical trilogy, followed by In the World (1916–1917) and My Universities (1923). The novel deals with the early life of Alexei Peshkov, Gorky's alter ego, in the city of Nizhny Novgorod.

Gorky was born into a poor family in Nizhny Novgorod in 1868. His father died when he was three years old, and his mother remarried a few years later. Gorky's stepfather was a cruel and abusive man, and Gorky was often beaten and mistreated. At the age of 11, Gorky ran away from home and began to wander around Russia, working at a variety of odd jobs.



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In 1892, Gorky published his first story, "Makar Chudra." The story was well-received, and Gorky soon became one of the most popular writers in Russia. He continued to write throughout his life, and his work has been translated into more than 100 languages.

Childhood: A Summary

Childhood begins with Alexei's memories of his early childhood. He remembers his grandmother, who was a kind and loving woman, and his grandfather, who was a cruel and abusive man. Alexei also remembers his mother, who was a beautiful and gentle woman, and his stepfather, who was a cruel and abusive man.

As Alexei grows older, he begins to learn about the harsh realities of life. He sees the poverty and injustice that surrounds him, and he begins to question the values of the society in which he lives. Alexei also begins to develop a sense of compassion for the poor and the oppressed, and he becomes determined to fight against injustice.

Childhood is a powerful and moving novel that offers a unique glimpse into the life of one of Russia's greatest writers. Gorky's writing is both beautiful and heartbreaking, and his characters are unforgettable. Childhood is a classic of Russian literature, and it is a must-read for anyone who is interested in Russian history or culture.

William Parrett's Translation

William Parrett's translation of Childhood is a masterpiece. Parrett has captured the beauty and power of Gorky's writing, and he has created a translation that is both faithful to the original and accessible to Englishspeaking readers.

Parrett's translation is also notable for its accuracy. Parrett has worked closely with Russian scholars to ensure that his translation is as accurate as possible. This is important because Childhood is a complex and

nuanced novel, and any mistranslation could potentially distort Gorky's meaning.

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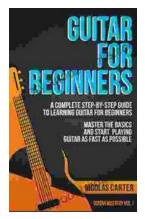
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