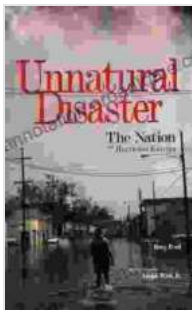


Unnatural Disaster: The Nation On Hurricane Katrina

In August 2005, Hurricane Katrina made landfall in the Gulf Coast of the United States, causing widespread devastation and loss of life. The storm was the most destructive natural disaster in American history, and its aftermath exposed deep flaws in the nation's preparedness and response systems.



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Brinkley begins his account with a detailed look at the storm's formation and path. He then turns his attention to the failures of the federal

government to adequately prepare for and respond to the hurricane. Brinkley argues that the Bush administration was slow to react to the storm, and that its response was hampered by a lack of coordination and communication.

Brinkley also examines the failures of state and local governments in the aftermath of the hurricane. He argues that these governments were overwhelmed by the scale of the disaster, and that they were slow to provide aid to those who needed it. Brinkley also highlights the failures of individual citizens to prepare for and respond to the hurricane. He argues that many people did not take the storm seriously, and that they were unprepared for the devastation that it caused.

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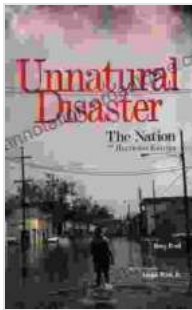
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