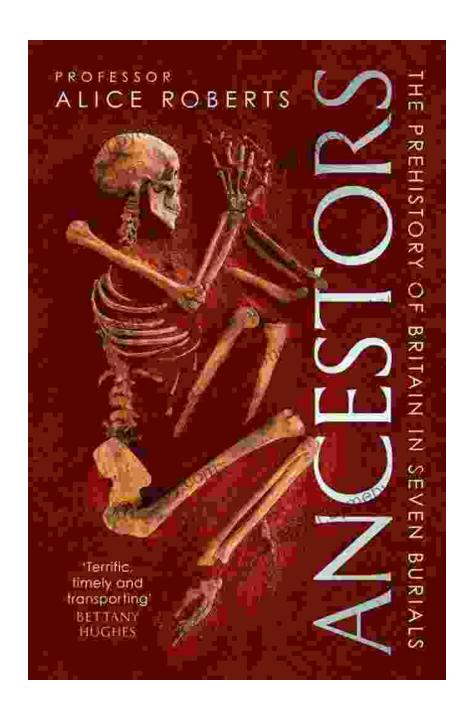
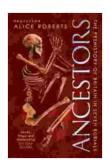
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### The Red Lady of Paviland

The Red Lady of Paviland is one of the most iconic archaeological discoveries in Britain. Her remains were found in a cave in Paviland, Wales, in 1823. She was buried with a wealth of grave goods, including a necklace of shells, a bracelet of ivory, and a red ochre pigment. Scientists believe that she died around 33,000 years ago, making her one of the oldest known human burials in Britain.

The Red Lady's burial has been the subject of much debate and speculation. Some archaeologists believe that she was a shaman or a priestess, while others believe that she was a wealthy member of her community. Her grave goods suggest that she was a highly respected individual, and her burial may have been a ritual to ensure her safe passage into the afterlife.

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Lindow Man is one of the most well-preserved bog bodies ever found in Britain. His remains were discovered in a peat bog in Cheshire in 1984. He was buried with a leather cap, a woolen cloak, and a leather belt. Scientists believe that he died around 2,000 years ago, and that he was likely a victim of human sacrifice.

Lindow Man's bog body has provided scientists with a wealth of information about the lives and beliefs of the Iron Age people of Britain. His stomach contents show that he ate a diet of bread, meat, and vegetables. His body also shows evidence of whip marks and other injuries, which suggests that he may have been tortured before he was killed.

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Cashel Man is another well-preserved bog body that was found in Ireland in 2011. He was buried with a leather cloak, a woolen tunic, and a leather belt. Scientists believe that he died around 2,000 years ago, and that he was likely a victim of human sacrifice.

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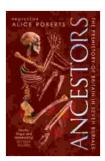
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