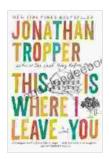
This Is Where I Leave You: A Novel of Family, Grief, and Redemption

This Is Where I Leave You is a novel by Jonathan Tropper that tells the story of a family who reunites after the death of their father. The novel explores themes of grief, family, and redemption.



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The novel begins with the death of Judd Foxman, a successful businessman and family patriarch. Judd's death sends his family into a tailspin. His wife, Hillary, is devastated and unable to cope. His children, Judd Jr., Wendy, and Paul, are all struggling with their own issues. Judd Jr. is a successful lawyer, but he is also struggling with addiction. Wendy is a single mother who is trying to raise her two children on her own. Paul is a college dropout who is living at home with his parents.

After Judd's death, the family is forced to come together to plan his funeral. This brings up old wounds and tensions. Judd Jr. and Wendy are angry

with their father for abandoning them when they were children. Paul is still grieving the loss of his mother, who died when he was young.

As the family plans the funeral, they begin to realize that they need each other more than they thought. They start to talk about their problems and to support each other. They also begin to learn more about their father and the secrets that he kept from them.

This Is Where I Leave You is a moving and funny novel about family, grief, and redemption. It is a story about the importance of forgiveness and the power of love.

Characters

- Judd Foxman: The patriarch of the Foxman family. He is a successful businessman, but he is also a distant and emotionally abusive father.
- **Hillary Foxman**: Judd's wife. She is a devoted mother, but she is also struggling with depression.
- Judd Jr. Foxman: Judd and Hillary's eldest son. He is a successful lawyer, but he is also struggling with addiction.
- Wendy Foxman: Judd and Hillary's daughter. She is a single mother who is trying to raise her two children on her own.
- Paul Foxman: Judd and Hillary's youngest son. He is a college dropout who is living at home with his parents.

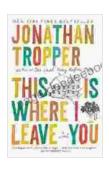
Themes

 Grief: The novel explores the different ways that people grieve the loss of a loved one. Judd's death sends his family into a tailspin, and each member of the family deals with their grief in their own way.

- **Family**: The novel also explores the importance of family. Despite their differences, the Foxman family is ultimately able to come together and support each other through their grief.
- Redemption: The novel also explores the theme of redemption. Judd Jr. is able to overcome his addiction and find a new path in life. Wendy is able to find love and happiness again. And Paul is able to come to terms with his mother's death.

Critical Reception

This Is Where I Leave You has received critical acclaim. It was named one of the best books of the year by The New York Times, The Washington Post, and Amazon.com. The novel has also been adapted into a film starring Jason Bateman, Tina Fey, and Adam Driver.



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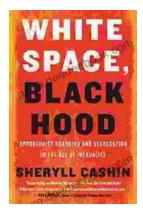
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