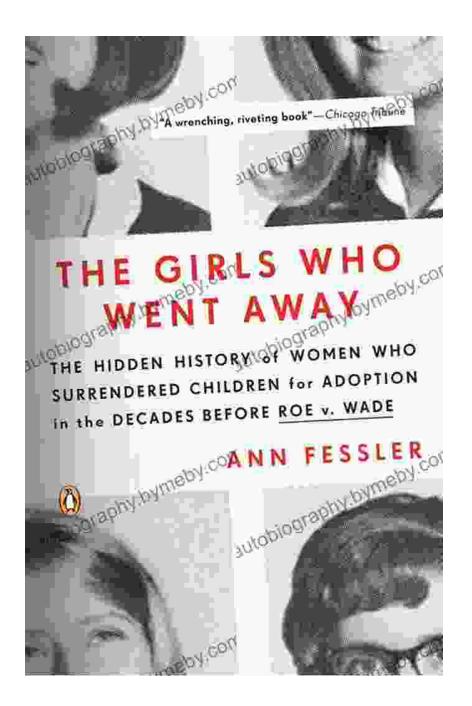
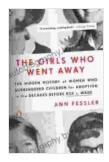
# Uncover the Haunting Truth: The Girls Who Went Away



The Girls Who Went Away: The Hidden History of
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Irish author Ann O'Loughlin has meticulously researched and crafted a fictional but entirely believable story that sheds light on a largely forgotten chapter in history. The Magdalene Laundries operated in Ireland and other parts of the world for over a century, forcibly separating women and girls from their families and subjecting them to unimaginable abuse.

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Nora, a young girl with a troubled past, is sentenced to a Laundry after being accused of promiscuity. Sinead, an aspiring musician, is sent away for unwed motherhood. Mary, a victim of sexual abuse, finds herself trapped in a world of shame and secrecy.

#### **Exposing Injustice and Healing Wounds**

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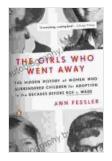
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