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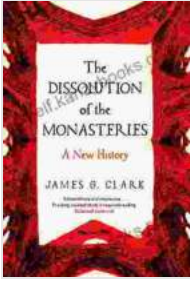
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In 1536, King Henry VIII launched a campaign to dissolve the monasteries. He claimed that they were corrupt and that their wealth could be used to fund the war against France.

Over the next few years, all of the monasteries in England were dissolved. Their lands and buildings were confiscated by the Crown, and their monks and nuns were expelled.

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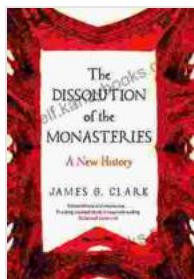
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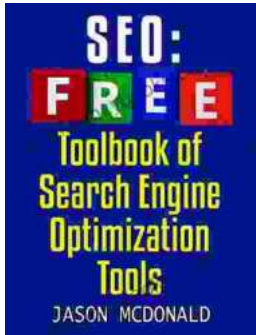
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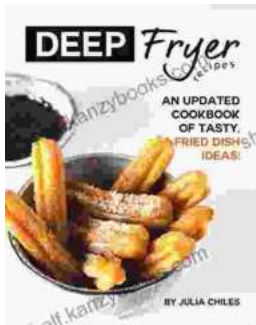
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