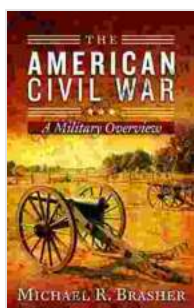


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## **The Causes of the American Civil War**

The American Civil War was caused by a number of factors, including:

- **Slavery:** The issue of slavery was the most important cause of the war. The southern states were heavily dependent on slavery, while the northern states were increasingly opposed to it.
- **States' rights:** The southern states believed that they had the right to secede from the Union. The northern states disagreed, and they believed that the Union was indissoluble.
- **Economic differences:** The northern states were industrialized, while the southern states were agricultural. This led to different economic interests and policies.

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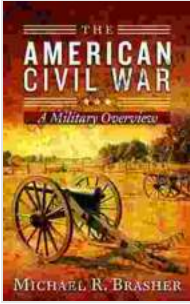
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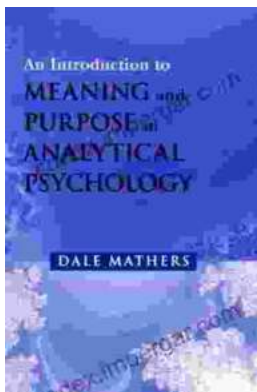
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