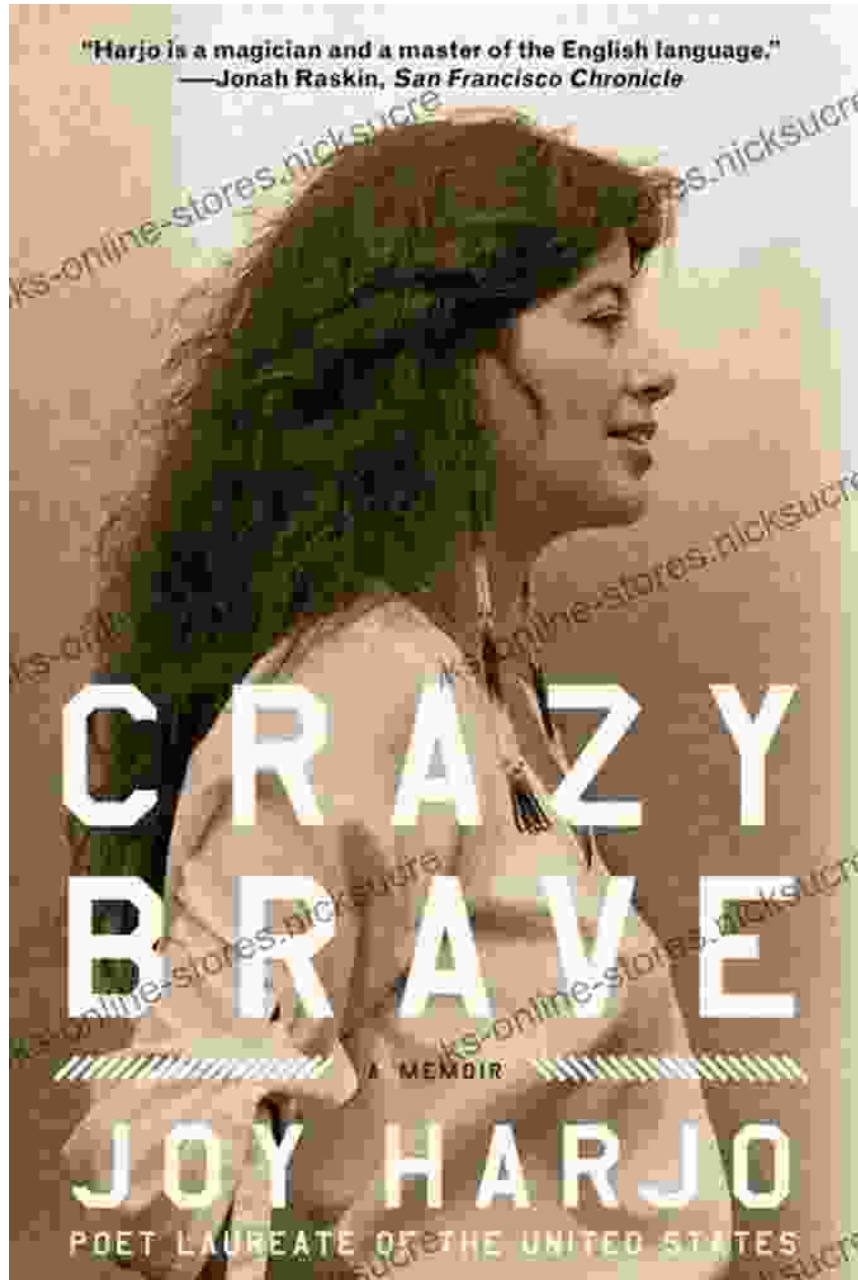


Summary of Joy Harjo's Crazy Brave: Opening Her Heart to the World



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Joy Harjo's memoir, *Crazy Brave*, is a powerful and moving account of her life as a Native American woman, poet, musician, and activist. Harjo writes with honesty and vulnerability about her experiences of racism, sexism, and poverty, as well as her struggles with addiction and mental illness. But she also writes about the strength, resilience, and joy that she has found in her life.

Harjo was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1951. Her father was a Creek Indian and her mother was a white woman. Harjo grew up in a poor family, and she experienced racism and discrimination from a young age. She was often teased and bullied by her classmates, and she felt like an outsider in her own community.

Despite the challenges she faced, Harjo always had a passion for writing. She began writing poetry as a child, and she eventually went on to become one of the most celebrated Native American poets in the world. Her work has been praised for its beauty, its power, and its honesty.

In *Crazy Brave*, Harjo writes about her experiences as a Native American woman in a white-dominated world. She writes about the racism and

discrimination that she has faced, and she also writes about the strength and resilience of her people.

Harjo's memoir is a moving and inspiring account of one woman's journey to find her voice and her place in the world. It is a story of survival, resilience, and joy, and it is a testament to the power of the human spirit.

Themes in Crazy Brave

- **Racism and discrimination:** Harjo writes about the racism and discrimination that she has faced throughout her life, both as a Native American woman and as a woman of color. She writes about being called names, being treated differently, and being denied opportunities simply because of her race.
- **Poverty:** Harjo also writes about the poverty that she experienced growing up. She writes about living in a poor neighborhood, going hungry, and not having access to basic necessities. She also writes about the ways that poverty affected her family and her community.
- **Addiction and mental illness:** Harjo writes about her struggles with addiction and mental illness. She writes about her experiences with alcohol and drug abuse, and she also writes about her struggles with depression and anxiety. She writes about the ways that addiction and mental illness affected her life, and she also writes about the ways that she was able to overcome these challenges.
- **Strength and resilience:** Despite the challenges that she has faced, Harjo has always maintained a strong and resilient spirit. She writes about the ways that she has overcome racism, poverty, addiction, and mental illness. She also writes about the ways that she has found strength and support in her family, her community, and her culture.

- **Joy:** Despite the challenges that she has faced, Harjo has also found joy in her life. She writes about the joy that she finds in her music, her writing, and her activism. She also writes about the joy that she finds in her family and her community.

Critical Reception

Crazy Brave has received critical acclaim from both Native American and non-Native American critics. The book has been praised for its honesty, its vulnerability, and its power. Harjo's writing has been described as "lyrical," "haunting," and "provocative."

Crazy Brave has won numerous awards, including the National Book Critics Circle Award for Autobiography and the PEN/Jean Stein Book Award. The book was also a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Autobiography.

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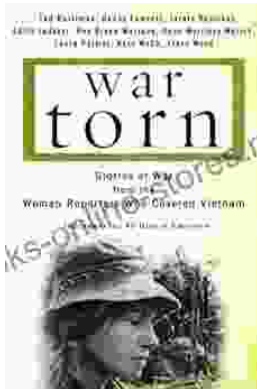
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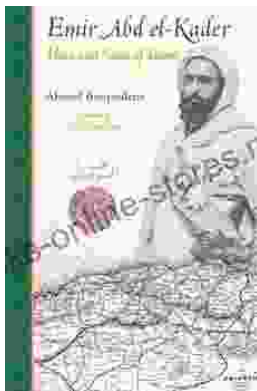
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