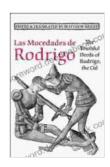
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Rodrigo was born in Vivar, near Burgos, Spain, in 1043. His father, Diego Laínez, was a minor nobleman, and his mother, Teresa Rodríguez, was a descendant of the Counts of Castile. Rodrigo was raised in the household of his uncle, García Ordóñez, who was the Count of Castile. Rodrigo received a military education, and he soon became a skilled warrior.

In 1065, Rodrigo joined the army of King Sancho II of Castile. Sancho was fighting against his brother, Alfonso VI, for the throne of Castile. Rodrigo quickly distinguished himself as a brave and skilled warrior, and he soon became one of Sancho's most trusted generals. In 1068, Sancho was killed in battle, and Alfonso became king of Castile. Rodrigo continued to serve Alfonso, and he helped him to consolidate his power.

In 1081, Rodrigo was appointed to the command of the garrison at Valencia. Valencia was a Muslim city, and it was a constant threat to the Christian kingdom of Castile. Rodrigo led a series of successful campaigns against the Moors, and he eventually captured the city in 1094. Rodrigo's victory at Valencia was a major turning point in the Reconquista, and it helped to secure the Christian kingdom of Castile.

Rodrigo's victory at Valencia made him a national hero in Spain. He was given the title "el Cid Campeador," which means "the Lord Champion." Rodrigo continued to fight against the Moors for the rest of his life, and he died in battle in 1099.

Rodrigo's Early Military Campaigns

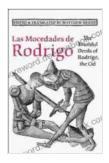
Rodrigo's early military campaigns were marked by his bravery and his skill as a warrior. He was a master of both sword and lance, and he was known for his ability to inspire his troops. Rodrigo's first major campaign was against the Moors of Zaragoza in 1065. Rodrigo led a small force of Christian knights into Muslim territory, and he defeated the Moorish army in a series of battles. Rodrigo's victory at Zaragoza was a major setback for the Moors, and it helped to secure the Christian kingdom of Aragon.

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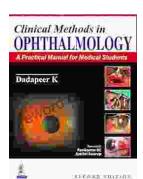
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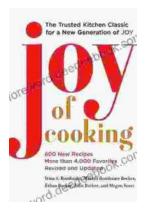
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