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by Davi Kopenawa

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The Yanomami are an indigenous people who live in the Amazon rainforest of Brazil and Venezuela. They are one of the largest uncontacted tribes in the world, and their way of life is closely tied to the forest. However, their traditional way of life is under threat from deforestation and climate change.

Davi Kopenawa is a Yanomami shaman who has been speaking out about the threats facing his people. In his book, *The Falling Sky*, he tells the story of his people's struggle for survival.

Kopenawa begins his book by describing the traditional Yanomami way of life. He tells of how the Yanomami live in harmony with the forest, and how they rely on it for their food, shelter, and medicine. He also describes the Yanomami's spiritual beliefs, and their belief in the spirits of the forest.

However, Kopenawa also tells of how the Yanomami way of life is under threat. He describes how deforestation and climate change are destroying the forest, and how this is having a devastating impact on the Yanomami people.

Kopenawa writes:



""The forest is dying. The trees are being cut down, and the animals are disappearing. The rivers are drying up, and the fish are dying. The climate is changing, and the weather is becoming more extreme."

Kopenawa's book is a powerful indictment of the destruction of the Amazon rainforest. He shows how this destruction is not only harming the Yanomami people, but also the entire world.

Kopenawa's book is a call to action. He urges people to wake up to the threats facing the Amazon rainforest, and to take action to protect it.

The Falling Sky is a must-read for anyone who cares about the environment. It is a powerful and moving account of the struggle of the Yanomami people to survive in the face of overwhelming odds.

#### **About Davi Kopenawa**



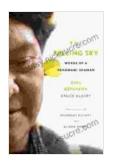
Davi Kopenawa is a Yanomami shaman who has been speaking out about the threats facing his people for over 30 years. He is one of the most respected indigenous leaders in the world, and has received numerous awards for his work, including the Goldman Environmental Prize.

Kopenawa was born in the Amazon rainforest in 1956. He grew up in a traditional Yanomami village, and learned the ways of the forest from his father, who was also a shaman.

In the 1970s, Kopenawa came into contact with the outside world for the first time. He was shocked by what he saw, and began to speak out about the destruction of the Amazon rainforest.

Kopenawa has since become a leading voice for the Yanomami people. He has spoken at the United Nations, and has met with world leaders to discuss the threats facing the Amazon rainforest.

Kopenawa's work has helped to raise awareness of the plight of the Yanomami people, and has helped to protect the Amazon rainforest. He is a true hero, and an inspiration to us all.



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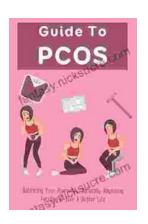
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