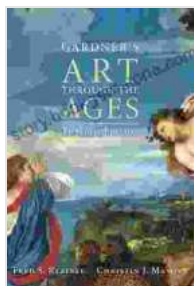


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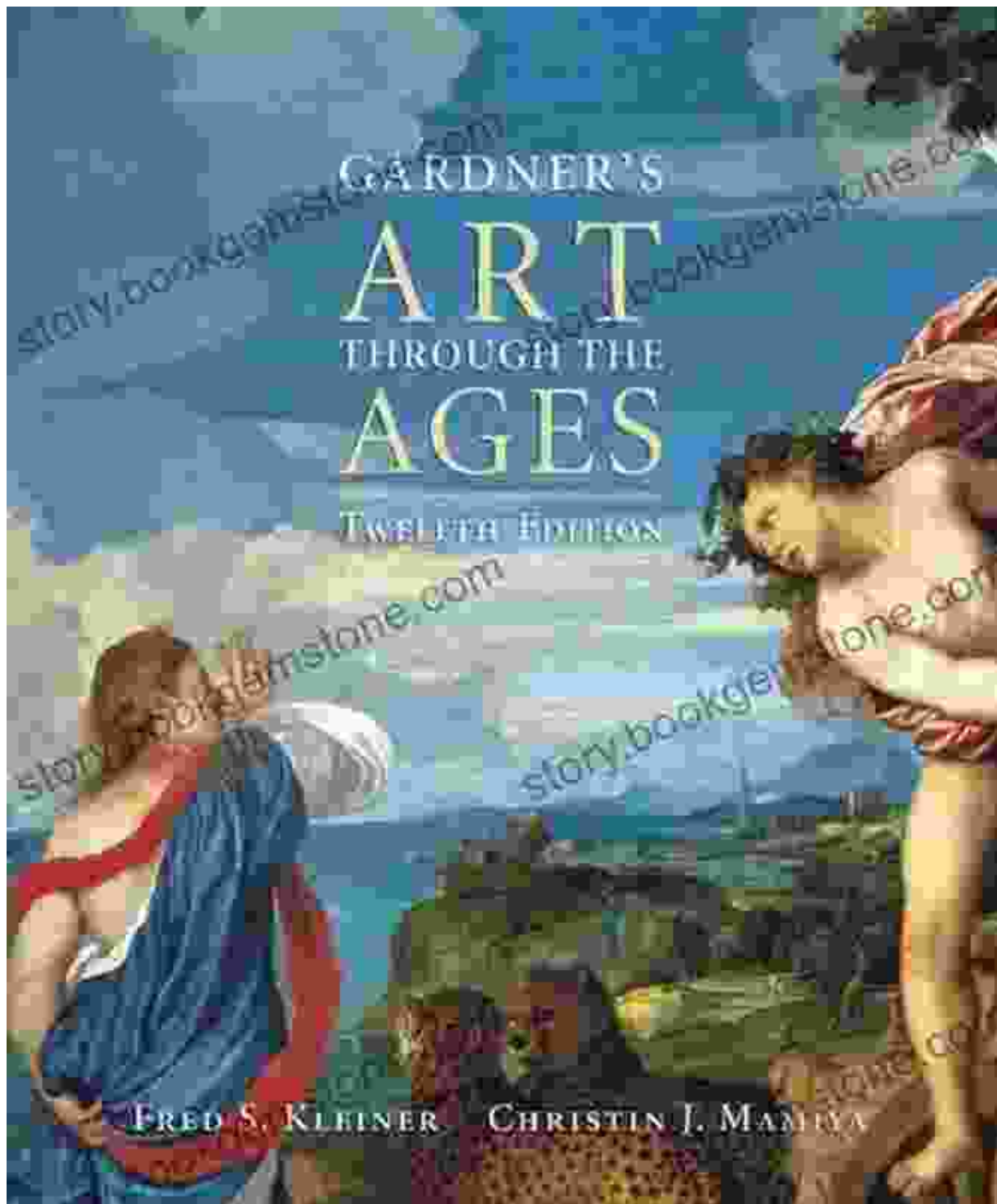
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Ancient Art

Begin your exploration with the art of ancient civilizations, including Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece, and Rome. Discover the origins of artistic techniques, such as fresco painting and sculpture, and appreciate the timeless beauty of iconic masterpieces like the Great Sphinx of Giza and the Parthenon sculptures.

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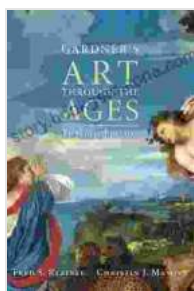
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