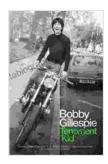
From the Streets of Glasgow in the 1960s to Drummer in The Jesus and Mary Chain: A Memoir by Bobby Gillespie

Bobby Gillespie, drummer in The Jesus and Mary Chain, has written a memoir about his early life in Glasgow in the 1960s and his rise to fame in the music industry. The book, **Tenement Kid**, is a fascinating and moving account of Gillespie's life, from his childhood in a working-class family to his time as a teenage tearaway to his eventual success as a musician.



Tenement Kid: From the Streets of Glasgow in the 1960s to Drummer in Jesus and Mary Chain and Frontman in Primal Scream by Bobby Gillespie

★ ★ ★ ★ 4.6 out of 5

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Gillespie's writing is honest and raw, and he doesn't shy away from the dark side of his life. He talks about his struggles with poverty, violence, and drugs, but he also writes about the love and support he received from his family and friends. Through it all, Gillespie's passion for music shines through.

Gillespie's memoir is a must-read for fans of The Jesus and Mary Chain, but it will also appeal to anyone interested in the history of Glasgow or in the life of a working-class musician. It is a powerful and inspiring story of hope, redemption, and the power of music.

Early life

Bobby Gillespie was born in Glasgow in 1961. His father was a factory worker and his mother was a cleaner. Gillespie grew up in a working-class family in the East End of Glasgow. He was the youngest of four children.

Gillespie's childhood was marked by poverty and violence. His father was an alcoholic and his parents often fought. Gillespie was also bullied at school. He found solace in music, and he began playing the drums at an early age.

Teenage years

As a teenager, Gillespie became involved in the punk rock scene in Glasgow. He joined a band called The Nosebleeds, and he quickly became known for his wild stage performances. Gillespie also became involved in crime, and he was arrested several times for theft and assault.

In 1983, Gillespie met Jim Reid, and the two formed The Jesus and Mary Chain. The band quickly became one of the most popular and influential bands in the world. Gillespie's drumming was a key part of The Jesus and Mary Chain's sound, and he was known for his powerful and hypnotic style.

The Jesus and Mary Chain

The Jesus and Mary Chain released their debut album, *Psychocandy*, in 1985. The album was a critical and commercial success, and it helped to

define the sound of the 1980s. The Jesus and Mary Chain went on to release several more albums, including *Darklands* (1987), *Automatic* (1989), and *Honey's Dead* (1992).

The Jesus and Mary Chain broke up in 1998, but they reunited in 2007. The band has continued to tour and release new music, and they remain one of the most popular and influential bands in the world.

Later life

In addition to his work with The Jesus and Mary Chain, Gillespie has also released several solo albums. He has also worked as a producer and DJ. Gillespie is married to Katy England, and they have two children.

Gillespie is a respected figure in the music industry, and he is known for his passion for music and his commitment to social justice. He is a role model for many young people, and his story is a reminder that anything is possible if you have the determination to succeed.

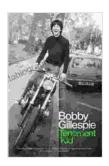
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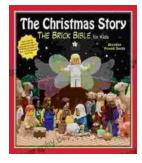
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