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work compiles research achievements that reconstruct human history through archaeology, genetics, and environmental studies. It highlights the diversity of human adaptation in various environmental conditions across Asia and the Pacific. The book aims to advance the understanding of human territorial expansion, economic development, and the emergence of complex societies. It is intended for scholars and researchers interested in world history, archaeology, and prehistoric studies, offering insights into the patterns of obsidian exploitation and ancient human interactions in Northeast Asia.
