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contradictions. Based on original and meticulous research, Ivo Mijnsen skillfully picks apart the dynamics underlying Nashi's influence and furthers a deeper understanding of state-sponsored youth politics in early 21st century Russia.
