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In the remote corner of Alaska where the Gwich'in people have lived for centuries, there is a woman who is both a storyteller and a doctor. Her name is Dr. Beverlye Watkins, and her story is one of resilience, determination, and hope.

Dr. Watkins was born in a sod house in Arctic Village, Alaska, in 1949. Her parents were both Gwich'in Indians, and she grew up speaking the Gwich'in language and learning the traditional ways of her people. As a child, she dreamed of becoming a doctor, but she knew that it would be a long and difficult road.

Despite the challenges, Dr. Watkins never gave up on her dream. She graduated from high school in Fort Yukon, Alaska, and then went on to college in Fairbanks. After college, she attended medical school at the University of Washington.

In 1984, Dr. Watkins returned to Alaska to practice medicine. She worked in several different communities, including Arctic Village, Fort Yukon, and Eagle. She also worked as a physician assistant in the Indian Health Service.

In 1995, Dr. Watkins opened her own clinic in Fort Yukon. The clinic provides a wide range of medical services, including primary care, dental care, and mental health services. Dr. Watkins is also a strong advocate for traditional Gwich'in healing practices.

Dr. Watkins's work has made a significant difference in the lives of many Gwich'in people. She has helped to improve the health of her community, and she has also helped to preserve the Gwich'in language and culture.

Dr. Watkins's story is an inspiration to all who dream of making a difference in the world. She is a role model for Gwich'in people and for all who believe in the power of storytelling.

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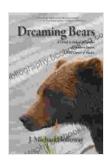
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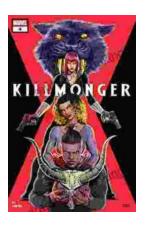


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