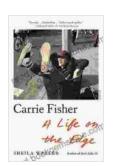
# Carrie Fisher: A Life On The Edge, In Her Own Words

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In her autobiography, *Wishful Drinking*, Fisher wrote about her life with candor and humor. She pulled no punches, sharing her struggles and triumphs with unflinching honesty. The book is a fascinating and heartbreaking portrait of a woman who lived life on the edge.

#### Fisher's Early Life



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Carrie Fisher was born in Beverly Hills, California, on October 21, 1956. Her parents were Debbie Reynolds, a popular actress, and Eddie Fisher, a singer. Fisher's childhood was chaotic and unstable. Her parents divorced when she was two years old, and she was raised by her mother and stepfather, Harry Karl.

Fisher began acting at a young age. She made her film debut in *Shampoo* (1975), and she went on to star in such films as *Star Wars* (1977), *The Blues Brothers* (1980), and *When Harry Met Sally* (1989). Fisher also wrote several books, including *Postcards from the Edge* (1987) and *Surrender the Pink* (1990).

#### **Fisher's Struggles with Addiction and Mental Illness**

Fisher struggled with addiction and mental illness for most of her life. She was first diagnosed with bipolar disorder in the 1980s, and she was also addicted to drugs and alcohol. Fisher's addictions and mental illness led to several hospitalizations and stints in rehab.

Despite her struggles, Fisher was able to maintain a successful career. She continued to act, write, and perform stand-up comedy. She also became an advocate for mental health awareness.

#### Fisher's Death

Carrie Fisher died on December 27, 2016, at the age of 60. She had suffered a heart attack a few days earlier while on a flight from London to Los Angeles. Fisher's death was a shock to her family, friends, and fans.

#### Legacy

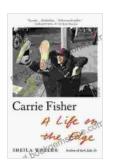
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Fisher's legacy will continue to inspire and entertain for generations to come. She was a one-of-a-kind talent who left an indelible mark on the world.

#### **Quotes from Carrie Fisher**

- "I want to be remembered as someone who was brave enough to fail."
- "I'm not a victim. I'm a survivor."
- "Life is not a fairytale. It's a fucking blast!"
- "You can't fix someone who doesn't want to be fixed."
- "I'm not perfect, but I'm always trying to be better."
- "I'm not afraid to fail. I'm afraid of not trying."
- "I'm not going to let my demons win."
- "I'm going to live my life to the fullest, no matter what."



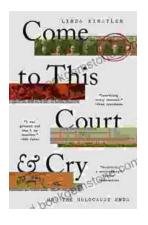
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