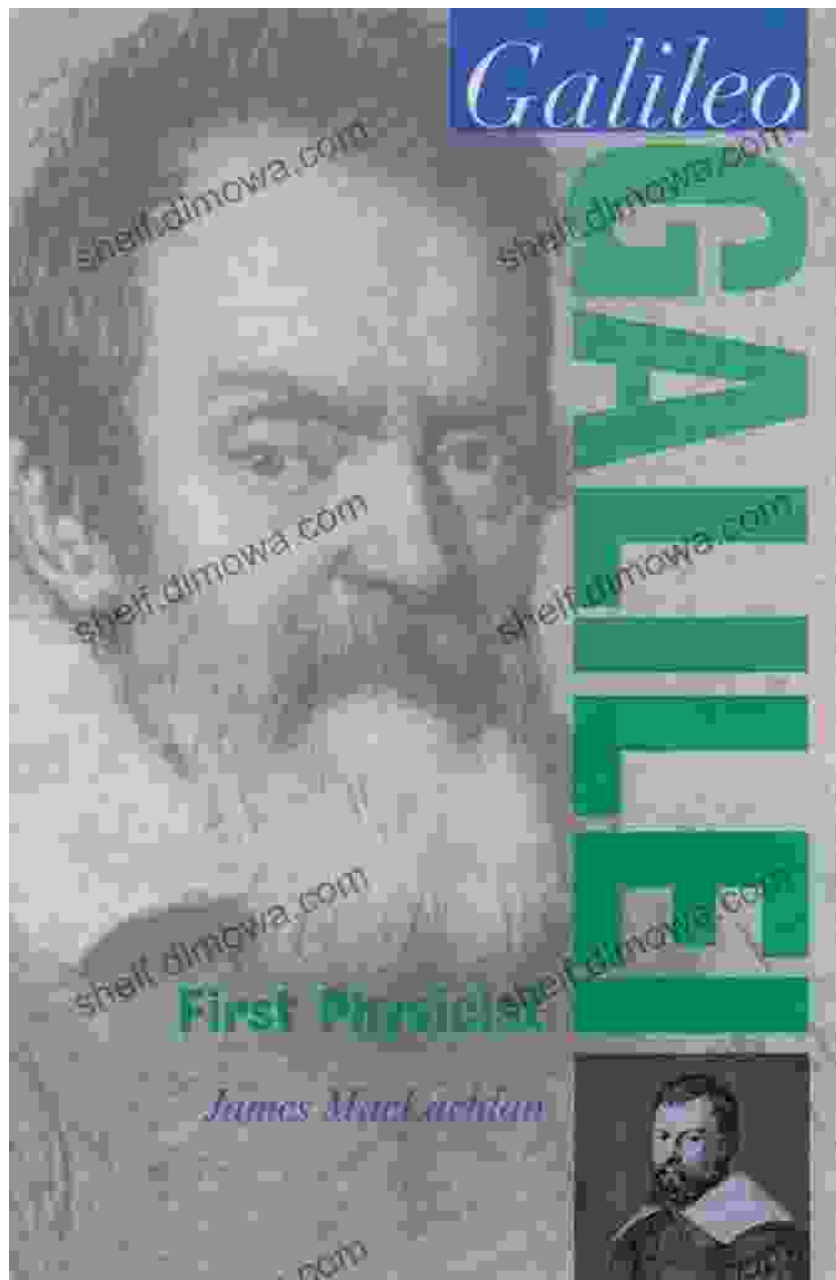


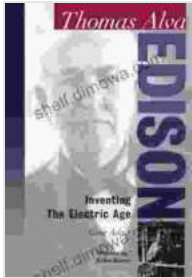
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The story of electricity begins with the ancient Greeks. They discovered that rubbing certain materials together could create static electricity. This knowledge was used for centuries to create simple devices, such as the electroscope.

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In the 19th century, scientists made even greater progress in understanding electricity. Alessandro Volta invented the voltaic pile, which was the first battery. Michael Faraday discovered electromagnetic induction, which is the basis for the electric motor and generator.

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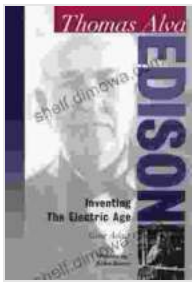
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