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In this groundbreaking book, acclaimed sociologist Eduardo Bonilla-Silva argues that race is not a biological or natural category, but rather a social and political construct that is constantly being re-created and re-defined.



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Bonilla-Silva shows how science, politics, and big business have played a key role in the re-creation of race since the end of the Civil Rights era. He argues that the rise of genetics and genomics has led to a new era of "racial essentialism," in which race is seen as a fixed and immutable characteristic.

At the same time, Bonilla-Silva shows how the political right has used race to divide and conquer the working class, and how big business has profited

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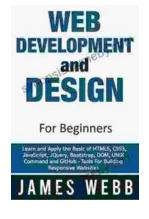
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