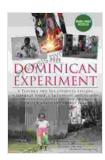
# **Teacher and His Students Explore Garbage Dump Sweatshops and Vodou**





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In the slums of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, a teacher named Emmanuel Prophete and his students embarked on a dangerous journey to uncover the hidden world of garbage dump sweatshops and Vodou.

Prophete, a former street child himself, had seen the horrors of the garbage dumps firsthand. He knew that children as young as five were forced to work in these toxic environments, scavenging for recyclables to sell to middlemen. He also knew that many of these children were involved in Vodou, a religion that is often associated with poverty and superstition.

Prophete wanted to help these children, so he decided to take them on a field trip to the garbage dumps. He wanted them to see the reality of what was happening, and to learn about the dangers of child labor and Vodou.

The students were shocked by what they saw. They had never realized the extent of the poverty and exploitation that existed in their own city. They saw children working in dangerous conditions, breathing in toxic fumes, and handling sharp objects. They also saw children who were clearly involved in Vodou, wearing amulets and charms, and participating in rituals.

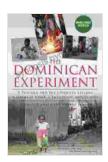
The students were both horrified and inspired by what they saw. They were horrified by the poverty and exploitation, but they were also inspired by the resilience of the children who were working to survive. They realized that these children needed help, and they were determined to do something to make a difference.

After the field trip, Prophete and his students started a program to help the children who worked in the garbage dumps. They provided them with food, clothing, and school supplies. They also taught them about the dangers of child labor and Vodou. The program was a success, and many of the children were able to escape the garbage dumps and go to school.

Prophete's story is a powerful and moving account of the hidden struggles of the Haitian people. It is also a testament to the transformative power of education. By exposing his students to the reality of child labor and Vodou, Prophete helped them to understand the challenges that their country faces. He also inspired them to become agents of change, and to work to make Haiti a better place for all.

#### **About the Author**

Emmanuel Prophete is a Haitian teacher and activist. He is the founder of the non-profit organization EduChange, which provides education and support to children in Haiti. He is also the author of the book "Teacher and His Students Explore Garbage Dump Sweatshops and Vodou." Prophete has been recognized for his work by the United Nations and the Clinton Global Initiative. He is a passionate advocate for the rights of children in Haiti, and he is committed to making a difference in their lives.



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