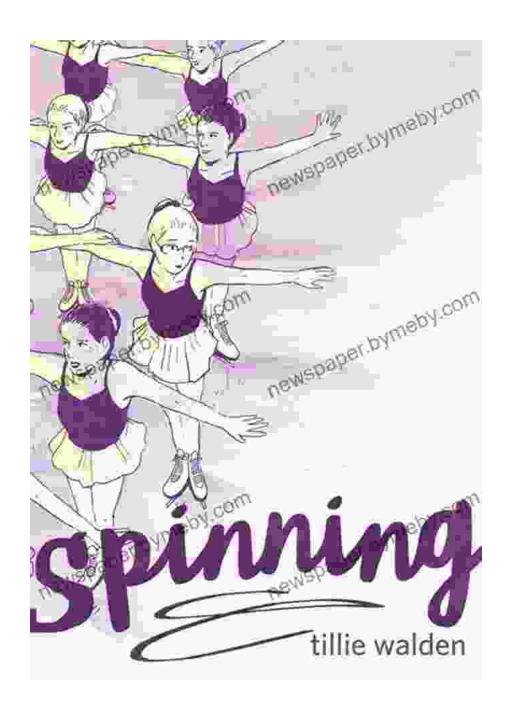
# Spinning: A Graphic Novel That Spins Webs of Emotion



In the world of graphic novels, Tillie Walden's "Spinning" stands as a masterpiece, a poignant and ethereal exploration of Olympic dreams, identity, loss, and the complexities of adolescence. With stunning artwork

and an intimate narrative, Walden weaves a tapestry of emotions that lingers long after you finish reading.



#### **Spinning** by Tillie Walden

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#### Ice and Dreams Dance on the Page

At the heart of "Spinning" is Noelle, a young woman with a fierce determination to become an Olympic figure skater. Walden captures the beauty and brutality of this sport, the hours of grueling practice, the exhilaration of performances, and the sacrifices that must be made along the way. Through Noelle's journey, we witness the transformative power of dreams and the sacrifices they demand.

#### **Identity and Loss: A Delicate Balance**

Beyond the ice rink, "Spinning" delves into the complexities of identity, particularly as it relates to sexual orientation and gender. Noelle's experiences navigating these issues are portrayed with sensitivity and honesty, capturing the confusion, self-discovery, and ultimately the acceptance that comes with understanding oneself.

Loss is another prominent theme throughout the novel. Noelle grapples with the loss of both her father and her skating coach, and through these

experiences, Walden explores the profound impact that loss can have on our lives. Her portrayal of grief is both raw and compassionate, reminding us of the importance of healing and finding resilience in the face of adversity.

#### **Stunning Artwork and Lyrical Storytelling**

Walden's artwork is a major highlight of "Spinning." Her linework is delicate and expressive, perfectly capturing the emotions and movements of her characters. The use of color is subtle and evocative, creating an ethereal atmosphere that draws the reader into Noelle's world.

Walden's storytelling is equally lyrical and evocative. Her prose is spare and poetic, with each word carefully chosen to create a sense of intimacy and authenticity. The narrative flows seamlessly, weaving together the different threads of Noelle's life and experiences.

#### A Must-Read for Graphic Novel Enthusiasts

"Spinning" is an exceptional graphic novel that will resonate with readers of all ages. Whether you're a fan of sports stories, coming-of-age tales, or simply appreciate beautiful storytelling, Tillie Walden's masterpiece is sure to captivate you.

With its poignant exploration of identity, loss, and the pursuit of dreams, "Spinning" is a graphic novel that will stay with you long after you've finished reading it. Immerse yourself in its pages and prepare to be spun into a web of emotion.

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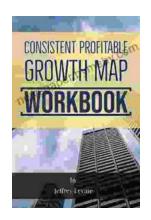
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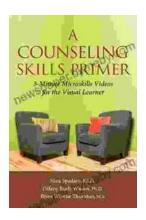
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