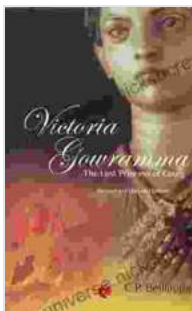


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## **Early life**

Victoria Gowramma was born on 26 November 1831, in the town of Madikeri, Coorg, to Raja Vira Rajendra and his wife, Lakshamma. Her father was a just and benevolent ruler, and he was deeply loved by his people. Victoria Gowramma was a clever and curious child, and she loved to learn. She was educated by private tutors, and she quickly mastered several languages, including English, Kannada, and Sanskrit.

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## **Life in England**

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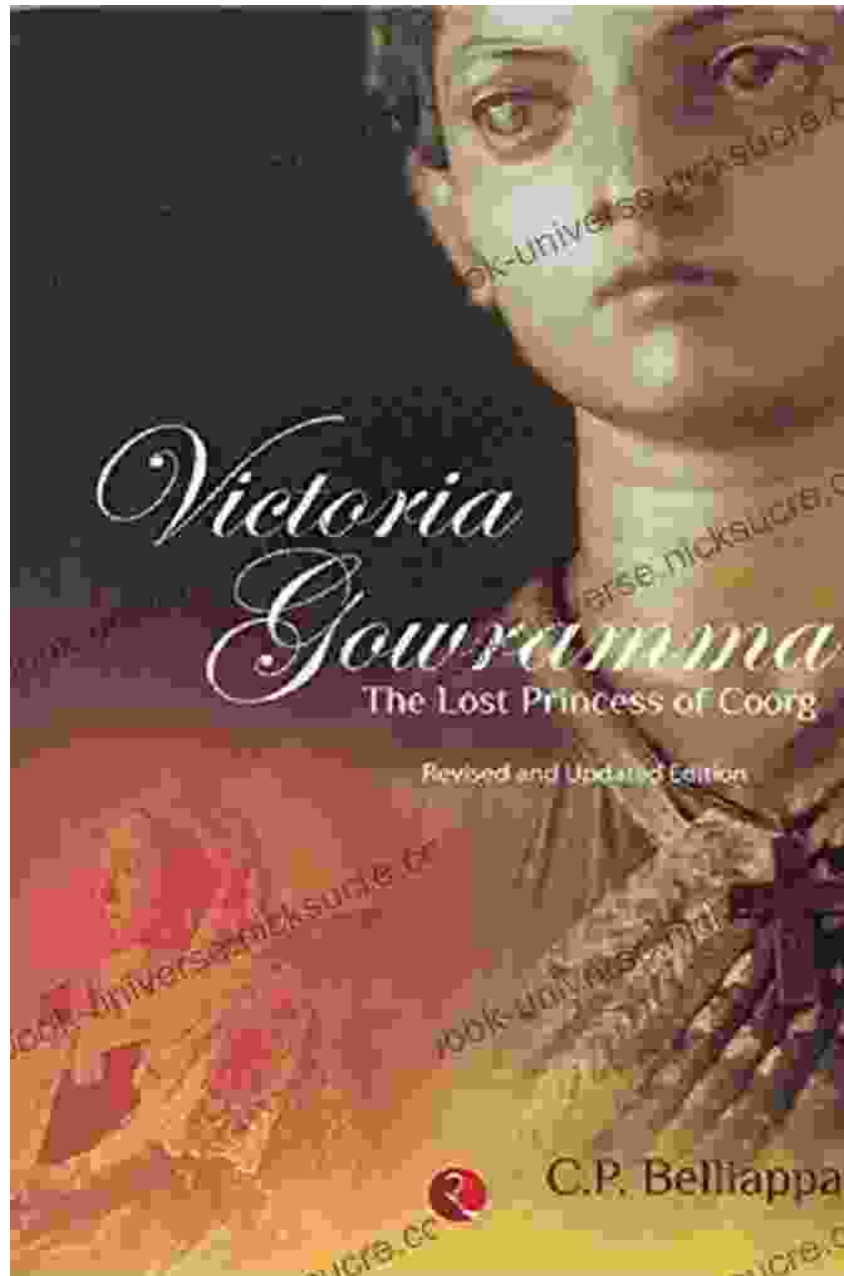
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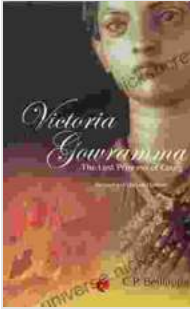
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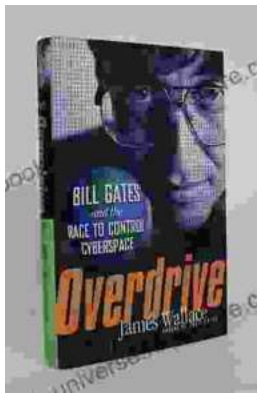
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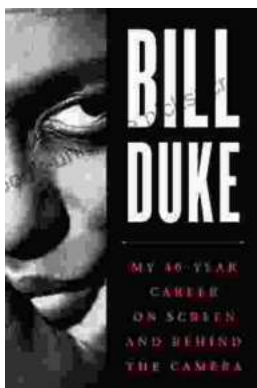


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