## **Twitchy Mule and the Trampoline**

Once upon a time, there was a man named Bob who bought a mule. Bob had always wanted a mule, and he was very excited to finally have one. He named his mule Twitchy because the mule was very skittish and would twitch its ears at the slightest noise.

One day, Bob was playing with Twitchy in the backyard when he had an idea. He went into the garage and got out his trampoline. He set it up in the middle of the yard and then called Twitchy over.



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Twitchy was hesitant at first, but eventually he hopped onto the trampoline. He started to bounce up and down, and he was having a lot of fun. Bob laughed and clapped his hands.

Twitchy bounced higher and higher, and Bob bounced along with him. They were both having a great time.

But then, something happened. Twitchy got too close to the edge of the trampoline, and he fell off. He landed on his feet, but he was spooked. He started to run around the yard, twitching his ears and braying.

Bob chased after Twitchy, but the mule was too fast. He ran all around the yard, and Bob couldn't catch him.

Finally, Twitchy ran into the barn and hid in a stall. Bob followed him into the barn and tried to calm him down.

"It's okay, Twitchy," Bob said. "I'm here. I'm not going to hurt you."

Twitchy slowly calmed down. He let Bob pet him, and he even nuzzled Bob's hand.

Bob led Twitchy out of the barn and back to the trampoline. He helped Twitchy back onto the trampoline, and they started to bounce again.

This time, Twitchy was more careful. He stayed in the middle of the trampoline, and he didn't bounce too high.

Bob and Twitchy bounced on the trampoline for hours. They had a lot of fun, and they became best friends.

The next day, Bob and Twitchy went back to the trampoline. They bounced and played for hours, and they had a great time.

But then, something happened. Twitchy got too close to the edge of the trampoline again, and he fell off.

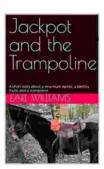
But this time, Twitchy didn't get spooked. He just got up and hopped back onto the trampoline.

Bob was amazed. He couldn't believe that Twitchy had overcome his fear of falling.

Bob and Twitchy bounced on the trampoline for hours. They had a lot of fun, and they became even better friends.

From that day on, Twitchy was no longer afraid of the trampoline. He loved to bounce and play on it, and he was always careful not to fall off.

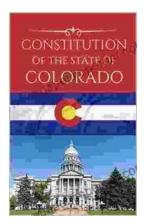
And Bob was always there to bounce along with him.



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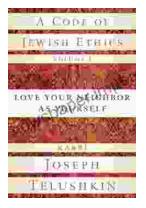
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