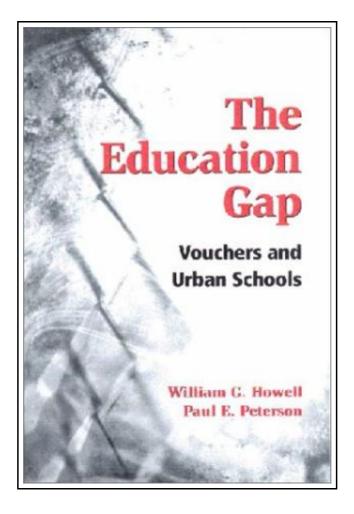
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#### THE EDUCATION GAP: VOUCHERS AND URBAN SCHOOLS



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