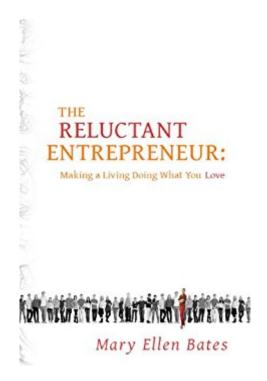
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# The Reluctant Entrepreneur: Making A Living Doing What You Love





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