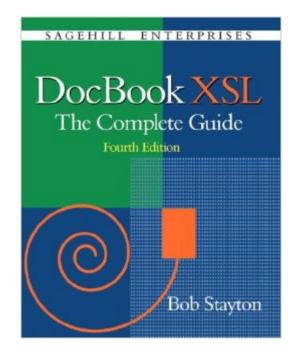
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# DocBook Xsl: The Complete Guide (4th Edition)





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