



Comparison of Representations of the American and British Family. Tobe Hooper's "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" and Steven Sheil's "Mum & Dad" (Paperback)

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