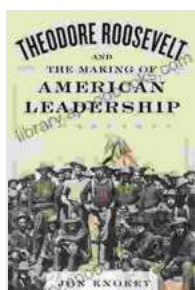


# Theodore Roosevelt And The Making Of American Leadership

Theodore Roosevelt was one of the most consequential presidents in American history. He led the country through a period of great change and upheaval, and he left a lasting legacy that continues to shape American politics and society today.



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Morris begins his book by describing Roosevelt's early life and education. Roosevelt was born into a wealthy family in New York City in 1858. He was a sickly child, but he overcame his physical limitations through hard work and determination. Roosevelt attended Harvard College and Columbia Law School, and he began his political career in the New York State Assembly.

In 1898, Roosevelt resigned from the Assembly to serve as Assistant Secretary of the Navy under President William McKinley. He played a key role in the Spanish-American War, and he emerged from the conflict as a national hero. In 1900, Roosevelt was elected vice president. When McKinley was assassinated in 1901, Roosevelt became president.

Roosevelt's presidency was marked by a number of significant achievements. He brokered the end of the Russo-Japanese War, he established the Panama Canal, and he created the National Park Service. He also reformed the civil service, regulated the railroads, and passed the Pure Food and Drug Act.

Roosevelt was a strong advocate for American imperialism. He believed that the United States had a duty to spread democracy and civilization around the world. He intervened in Latin America and the Caribbean, and he acquired the Philippines and Puerto Rico as American colonies.

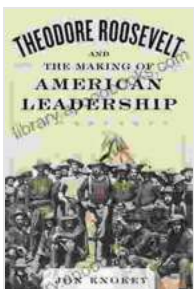
Roosevelt's foreign policy was controversial, but it was also successful. He helped to make the United States a global power, and he laid the foundation for American hegemony in the 20th century.

Roosevelt left office in 1909, but he remained active in public life. He led the Progressive Party in the 1912 presidential election, and he continued to

speak out on issues of national importance. Roosevelt died in 1919 at the age of 60.

Theodore Roosevelt was a complex and contradictory figure. He was a man of great ambition and energy, but he was also capable of great compassion and empathy. He was a strong advocate for American power, but he also believed in the importance of justice and equality. Roosevelt was a flawed man, but he was also a great man. He left a lasting legacy that continues to shape American politics and society today.

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