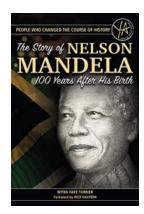
## The Story Of Nelson Mandela 100 Years After His Birth People That Changed The

Nelson Mandela, one of the most influential figures in modern history, was born on July 18, 1918. This year marks the 100th anniversary of his birth, providing us with an opportunity to reflect on his extraordinary life and the impact he had on the world. Mandela's resilience and unwavering commitment to justice and equality continue to inspire people around the globe.

#### **Early Life and Activism**

Nelson Mandela was born in Mvezo, a small village in the Eastern Cape province of South Africa. He grew up in a country plagued by racial segregation known as apartheid. Mandela experienced firsthand the injustices imposed on black South Africans, which fueled his determination to fight for equality and freedom.

In the early years of his political career, Mandela became involved in antiapartheid activism. He joined the African National Congress (ANC) and cofounded its Youth League. Mandela's activism led to his arrest and imprisonment in 1962. He was sentenced to life in prison for his opposition to the apartheid regime. However, his time behind bars didn't stop him from inspiring change.



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#### A Symbol of Hope

Mandela's imprisonment turned him into a symbol of hope for the oppressed. Even confined to a prison cell, his influence grew and fueled the resistance against apartheid. The international community rallied behind the call for Mandela's release, putting pressure on the South African government to end racial segregation.

After spending 27 years in prison, Mandela was finally freed on February 11, 1990. His release marked the beginning of a new era for South Africa and a step towards dismantling apartheid. Mandela's resilience during his time in prison and his peaceful approach to reconciliation earned him worldwide admiration.

#### The First Black President of South Africa

In 1994, South Africa held its first democratic elections. Nelson Mandela, as the leader of the ANC, emerged as the winner and became the country's first black president. Mandela's presidency focused on reconciling a nation deeply divided by apartheid. He promoted unity and worked towards building a society based on equality and non-discrimination.

Mandela's leadership and belief in the power of forgiveness and reconciliation helped South Africa transition into a democratic nation. His efforts laid the foundation for a more inclusive and diverse society, inspiring generations to come.

#### A Legacy that Continues to Inspire

Nelson Mandela passed away on December 5, 2013, but his legacy lives on. His lifelong struggle against apartheid and his commitment to justice and equality made him an icon of peace and a symbol of hope for millions of people around the world.

Mandela's story serves as a reminder that one individual's determination and resilience can bring about significant and lasting change. His principles of forgiveness, reconciliation, and equality continue to inspire activists, leaders, and ordinary individuals to fight for a better world.

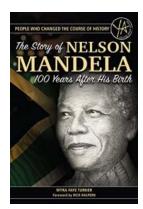
#### **Honoring Mandela's Centenary**

The 100th anniversary of Nelson Mandela's birth is a time for celebration and reflection. It provides an opportunity to honor his life, his sacrifices, and his enduring legacy. Various events and initiatives have been organized globally to commemorate this milestone and to promote Mandela's values of inclusivity, justice, and equality.

Through exhibitions, concerts, and public forums, people are coming together to share stories, engage in dialogue, and continue the work Mandela began. The centenary celebrations serve as a reminder that although Mandela is no longer with us physically, his spirit lives on, and his impact on the world remains significant.

The story of Nelson Mandela is one that continues to captivate people worldwide. His unwavering dedication to justice, equality, and peace make him an eternal inspiration. As we celebrate the 100th anniversary of his birth, it is crucial to reflect on his life and the values he stood for. Mandela's legacy reminds us that

positive change is possible, and that each and every one of us has the power to create a better world.



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This was the early life of the man who would win the Nobel Peace Prize at age 75 and become South Africa's first democratically elected president at age 76. The young Nelson Mandela changed his opinion of the government he once trusted and dedicated himself to changing the future of all South African people, regardless of the color of their skin.

This book will introduce you to Nelson Mandela before he became an international icon for integration and peaceful coexistence. You'll learn about his

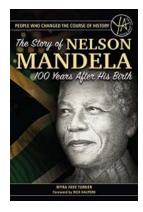
upbringing, his time as a lawyer, his arrest, his 27-year political imprisonment, and his presidential election. You will come to appreciate the man who called himself "fundamentally an optimist" for his charisma, style, and peaceful nature, and you'll learn about how, even as a man in chains, he fostered a community that believed in desegregation and the open exchange of ideas.

Mandela's patience and determination to effect political change stayed with him throughout his life, from his days as a idealistic college student defying tribal authority to his later years as an eloquent public speaker, philanthropist, and international icon of peace.



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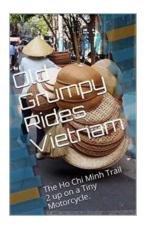
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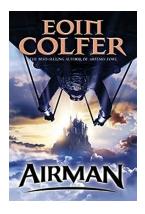
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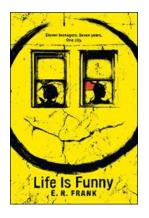
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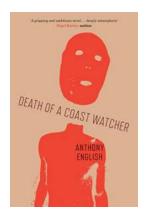
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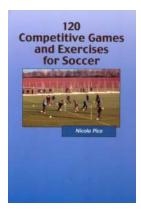
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