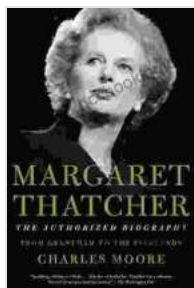


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This authorized biography, written by Charles Moore, provides a comprehensive and insightful account of Thatcher's life and career. Drawing on exclusive access to her personal archives and interviews with her closest friends and colleagues, Moore paints a vivid portrait of the woman who shaped the destiny of Britain for over a decade.

Early Life and Career

Margaret Hilda Roberts was born on October 13, 1925, in Grantham, Lincolnshire, England. Her father, Alfred Roberts, was a grocer, and her mother, Beatrice Ethel, was a seamstress. Thatcher grew up in a modest home, but she was ambitious from an early age. She attended Kesteven and Grantham Girls' School, where she excelled in her studies. After graduating from high school, Thatcher went on to study chemistry at Oxford University. She was one of the first women to study science at Oxford, and she graduated with honors in 1947.

After graduating from Oxford, Thatcher worked as a research chemist for a plastics company. In 1951, she married Denis Thatcher, a businessman. The couple had two children, Mark and Carol.

Thatcher's political career began in 1959, when she was elected to the House of Commons as the Conservative MP for Finchley. She quickly rose through the ranks of the Conservative Party, and in 1975 she became the party's leader. In 1979, the Conservatives won the general election, and Thatcher became the first female Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

Thatcherism

Thatcher's policies, known as Thatcherism, were characterized by free-market economics, deregulation, and a strong belief in individual liberty. She believed that the government should play a minimal role in the economy, and she sought to reduce taxes and regulations in Free Download to stimulate growth.

Thatcher's policies were controversial, but they were also effective. The British economy grew significantly during her time in office, and

unemployment fell. However, her policies also led to increased inequality, and she was criticized for her lack of compassion for the poor.

The Falklands War

One of the most significant events of Thatcher's time in office was the Falklands War. In 1982, Argentina invaded the Falkland Islands, a British overseas territory. Thatcher responded by sending a task force to retake the islands. After a short war, the British were victorious.

The Falklands War was a major turning point in Thatcher's career. The victory gave her a boost in popularity, and it helped to cement her reputation as a strong leader.

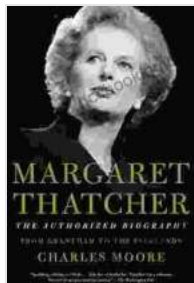
Later Career and Legacy

Thatcher served as Prime Minister for over a decade. She resigned in 1990, and she was succeeded by John Major. After leaving office, Thatcher remained active in public life. She wrote several books, and she gave speeches and lectures around the world.

Margaret Thatcher died on April 8, 2013, at the age of 87. She is remembered as one of the most significant political figures of the 20th century. Her policies had a profound impact on Britain, and her legacy continues to be debated today.

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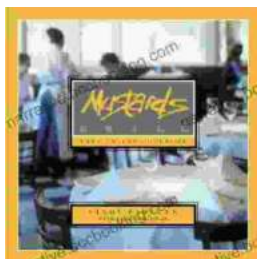


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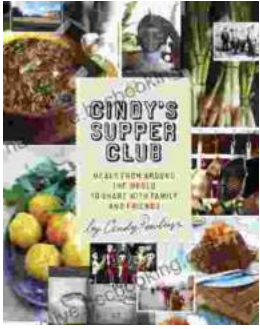
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