Oscar Pistorius: People In The News

Oscar Pistorius was born in Pretoria, South Africa, on November 22, 1986. He was born with a congenital condition called fibular hemimelia, which meant that he was born without fibulas, the long bones in the lower leg. As a result, his legs were amputated below the knee when he was 11 months old.



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Despite his disability, Pistorius excelled at sports from a young age. He began running at the age of 13, and by the time he was 17, he was competing in international competitions. In 2004, he became the first amputee to compete in the Olympic Games, and he went on to win six Paralympic gold medals and one silver medal.

Pistorius's success on the track made him a global icon. He was known as the "Blade Runner" because of the prosthetic legs he wore. He was also a vocal advocate for the rights of people with disabilities. In 2013, Pistorius's life took a tragic turn. He was arrested and charged with the murder of his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp. Pistorius claimed that he shot Steenkamp through a locked bathroom door, thinking that she was an intruder. However, the prosecution argued that Pistorius intentionally killed Steenkamp after an argument.

In 2014, Pistorius was found guilty of culpable homicide, which is equivalent to manslaughter in South Africa. He was sentenced to five years in prison. In 2016, his sentence was increased to six years on appeal.

Pistorius's story is a complex and tragic one. He was a world-renowned athlete who overcame incredible challenges to achieve his dreams. However, he also committed a terrible crime that cost the life of an innocent woman.

Oscar Pistorius: People In The News is a fascinating and in-depth look at the life and career of this enigmatic figure. The book provides a comprehensive account of Pistorius's early life, his rise to fame, and the tragic events that unfolded in 2013. It is a must-read for anyone interested in the life of Oscar Pistorius or in the broader issues of crime, justice, and disability.

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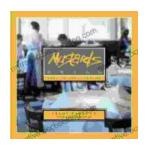




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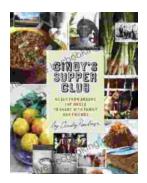
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