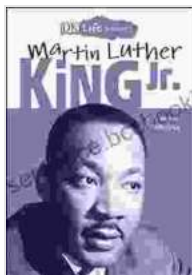


# Martin Luther King Jr.: A Life of Courage and Change

Martin Luther King Jr. was one of the most influential figures in American history. His leadership of the civil rights movement helped to end segregation and discrimination in the United States. King was a man of great courage and conviction, and his life story is an inspiration to us all.

## Early Life and Education

Martin Luther King Jr. was born in Atlanta, Georgia, on January 15, 1929. His father was a Baptist minister, and his mother was a schoolteacher. King attended segregated schools as a child, and he experienced firsthand the racism that was prevalent in the South at that time.



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King was a gifted student, and he excelled in school. He graduated from high school at the age of 15 and went on to attend Morehouse College in Atlanta. At Morehouse, King studied sociology and religion. He also became involved in the civil rights movement, and he led several protests against segregation.

## **The Montgomery Bus Boycott**

In 1955, Rosa Parks, a black woman, was arrested in Montgomery, Alabama, for refusing to give up her seat on a bus to a white man. This incident sparked the Montgomery bus boycott, which was led by King. The boycott lasted for over a year, and it eventually led to the desegregation of buses in Montgomery.

The Montgomery bus boycott was a major turning point in the civil rights movement. It showed that nonviolent protest could be an effective way to achieve change. King's leadership during the boycott made him a national figure, and he soon became one of the most recognizable faces of the civil rights movement.

## **The March on Washington**

In 1963, King led the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. This march was one of the largest civil rights demonstrations in American history. Over 200,000 people gathered in Washington, D.C., to demand an end to segregation and discrimination.

King delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech at the March on Washington. This speech is one of the most iconic speeches in American history. In it, King expressed his hope for a future in which all people would be treated equally.

## **The Nobel Peace Prize**

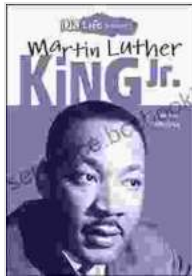
In 1964, King was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his work in the civil rights movement. He was the youngest person ever to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.

King continued to lead the civil rights movement until his assassination in 1968. He was assassinated by James Earl Ray, a white man who was opposed to the civil rights movement.

## **Legacy**

Martin Luther King Jr. was a man of great courage and conviction. He dedicated his life to fighting for justice and equality, and he helped to make the world a better place. His legacy continues to inspire people around the world.

Dk Life Stories Martin Luther King Jr. is an inspiring biography that chronicles the life of this great man. With its wealth of eye-catching images, this book will appeal to readers of all ages. It is a must-read for anyone who wants to learn more about Martin Luther King Jr. and his impact on the civil rights movement.



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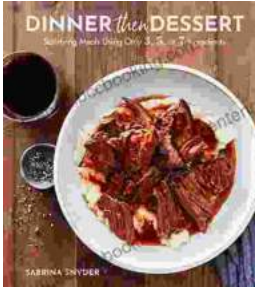
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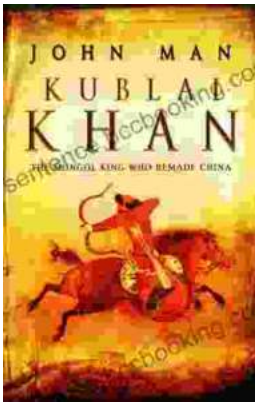
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