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*“Never has a President of the
United States, or any head of state
for that matter, been so totally
revealed, so completely*

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documented” (Robert A. Arthur). Plain Speaking is the bestselling book based on conversations between Merle Miller and the thirty-third President of the United States, Harry S. Truman. From these interviews, as well as others who

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knew him over the years, Miller transcribes Truman's feisty takes on everything from his personal life, military service, and political career to the challenges he faced in taking the office during the final days of World War II and the beginning of

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the Cold War. Using a series of taped discussions from 1962 that never aired on television, Plain Speaking takes an opportunity to deliver exactly how Mr. Truman felt about the presidency, and his thoughts in his later years on his

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accomplishments and the legacy he left behind. "The values of Plain Speaking, on the whole, are those of the highest form of political communication: the bull session. As with all good bull sessions, what is said here ranges widely in quality

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and seriousness, as one should expect when dealing with a complex man.” —The New York Times “Plain Speaking has a nostalgic, downhome quality of good friends gossiping over the back fence, or saying their piece of a twilight eve

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rocking on the porch—and if those fellas back in Washington have their secret machines running, well, they won't like what they overhear. Not one little bit.” —Kirkus Reviews

The Jameses are perhaps the most extraordinary and distinguished

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*family in American intellectual life.
Henry's novels, celebrated as
among the finest in the language,
and William's groundbreaking
philosophical and psychological
works, have won these brothers a
permanent place at the center of the*

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nation's cultural firmament. Less well known is their enigmatic younger sister, Alice. As Jean Stouse's generous, probing, and deeply imaginative biography shows, however, Alice James was a fascinating and exceptional figure in

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her own right. Tortured throughout her short life by an array of nervous disorders, constrained by social convention from achieving the worldly success she so desired, Alice nevertheless emerges from this remarkable book as a personality

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every bit as peculiar and engaging as her two famous brothers. “The moral and philosophical questions that Henry wrote up as fiction and William as science,” writes Strouse, “Alice simply lived.” With a psychological penetration and high

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eloquence that are altogether Jamesian, Strouse traces the formation of a unique identity, from Alice's unconventional peripatetic childhood in continental Europe through her years of spinsterhood in the United States and later England.

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It was there that she began to keep her celebrated diary, full of fitting social observation and unblinking self-analysis. "I consider myself one of the most potent creations of my time," she wrote to William, with characteristic tartness, towards the

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end of her life, “and though I may not have a group of Harvard students sitting at my feet drinking in psychic truth, I shall not tremble, I assure you, at the last trump.” Few U.S. presidents have captured the imagination of the American

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people as has Harry S. Truman, “the man from Missouri.” In this major new biography, Robert H. Ferrell, widely regarded as an authority on the thirty-third president, challenges the popular characterization of Truman as a man who rarely sought

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the offices he received, revealing instead a man who—with modesty, commitment to service, and basic honesty—moved with method and system toward the presidency.

Truman was ambitious in the best sense of the word. His powerful

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commitment to service was accompanied by a remarkable shrewdness and an exceptional ability to judge people. He regarded himself as a consummate politician, a designation of which he was proud. While in Washington, he

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never succumbed to the “Potomac fever” that swelled the heads of so many officials in that city. A scrupulously honest man, Truman exhibited only one lapse when, at the beginning of 1941, he padded his Senate payroll by adding his wife

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and later his sister. From his early years on the family farm through his pivotal decision to use the atomic bomb in World War II, Truman's life was filled with fascinating events. Ferrell's exhaustive research offers new perspectives on

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many key episodes in Truman's career, including his first Senate term and the circumstances surrounding the Truman Doctrine and the Marshall Plan. In addition, Ferrell taps many little-known sources to relate the intriguing story

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of the machinations by which Truman gained the vice presidential nomination in 1944, a position which put him a heartbeat away from the presidency. No other historian has ever demonstrated such command over the vast

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amounts of material that Robert Ferrell brings to bear on the unforgettable story of Truman's life. Based upon years of research in the Truman Library and the study of many never-before-used primary sources, Harry S. Truman is

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destined to become the authoritative account of the nation's favorite president.

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER!
History called on Harry Truman to unite the Western world against Soviet communism, but first he had

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to rally Republicans and Democrats behind America's most dramatic foreign policy shift since George Washington delivered his farewell address. How did one of the least prepared presidents to walk into the Oval Office become one of its most

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successful? The year was 1947. The Soviet Union had moved from being America's uneasy ally in the Second World War to its most feared enemy. With Joseph Stalin's ambitions pushing westward, Turkey was pressured from the east while

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communist revolutionaries overran Greece. The British Empire was battered from its war with Hitler and suddenly teetering on the brink of financial ruin. Only America could afford to defend freedom in the West, and the effort was

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spearheaded by a president who hadn't even been elected to that office. But Truman would wage a domestic political battle that carried with it the highest of stakes, inspiring friends and foes alike to join in his crusade to defend

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democracy across the globe. In Saving Freedom, Joe Scarborough recounts the historic forces that moved Truman toward his country's long twilight struggle against Soviet communism, and how this untested president acted decisively to build a

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lasting coalition that would influence America's foreign policy for generations to come. On March 12, 1947, Truman delivered an address before a joint session of Congress announcing a policy of containment that would soon

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become known as the Truman Doctrine. That doctrine pledged that the United States would “support free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation by armed minorities or by outside pressures.” The untested president’s policy was

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a radical shift from 150 years of isolationism, but it would prove to be the pivotal moment that guaranteed Western Europe's freedom, the American Century's rise, and the eventual collapse of the Soviet Union. Truman's triumph

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over the personal and political struggles that confronted him following his ascension to the presidency is an inspiring tale of American leadership, fierce determination, bipartisan unity, and courage in the face of the rising

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Soviet threat. Saving Freedom explores one of the most pivotal moments of the twentieth century, a turning point when patriotic Americans of both political parties worked together to defeat tyranny. Mornings on Horseback

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Another Such Victory

Brave Companions

*MacArthur and Truman at the Brink
of Nuclear War*

The Trials of Harry S. Truman

The American Spirit

The Heroic Story of the Settlers who

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*Brought the American Ideal West
From Alexander von
Humboldt to Charles and
Anne Lindbergh, these
are stories of people of
great vision and daring
whose achievements*

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*continue to inspire us
today, brilliantly told
by master historian
David McCullough. The
bestselling author of
Truman and John Adams,
David McCullough has*

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*written profiles of
exceptional men and
women past and present
who have not only shaped
the course of history or
changed how we see the
world but whose stories*

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*express much that is
timeless about the human
condition. Here are
Alexander von Humboldt,
whose epic explorations
of South America
surpassed the Lewis and*

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*Clark expedition;
Harriet Beecher Stowe,
“the little woman who
made the big war”;
Frederic Remington; the
extraordinary Louis
Agassiz of Harvard;*

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*Charles and Anne
Lindbergh, and their
fellow long-distance
pilots Antoine de Saint-
Exupéry and Beryl
Markham; Harry Caudill,
the Kentucky lawyer who*

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*awakened the nation to
the tragedy of
Appalachia; and David
Plowden, a present-day
photographer of
vanishing America.
Different as they are*

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*from each other,
McCullough's subjects
have in common a rare
vitality and sense of
purpose. These are brave
companions: to each
other, to David*

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McCullough, and to the reader, for with rare storytelling ability McCullough brings us into the times they knew and their very uncommon lives.

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*When Harry S. Truman
left the White House in
1953, his reputation was
in ruins. Tarred by
corruption scandals and
his controversial
decision to drop nuclear*

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bombs on Japan, he ended his second term with an abysmal approval rating, his presidency widely considered a failure. But this dim view of Truman ignores his

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crucial role in the 20th century and his enduring legacy, as celebrated historian Aida D. Donald explains in this incisive biography of the 33rd president. In

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Citizen Soldier, Donald shows that, for all his failings, Truman deserves recognition as the principal architect of the American postwar world. The son of poor

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*Missouri farmers, Truman
overcame professional
disaster and personal
disillusionment to
become something of a
hero in the Missouri
National Guard during*

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World War I. His early years in politics were tainted by the corruption of his fellow Missouri Democrats, but Truman's hard work and scrupulous honesty

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*eventually landed him a
U.S. Senate seat and
then the Vice-
Presidency. When
Franklin Roosevelt
passed away in April
1945, Truman*

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*unexpectedly found
himself at the helm of
the American war
effort—and in command of
the atomic bomb, the
most lethal weapon
humanity had ever seen.*

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Truman's decisive leadership during the remainder of World War II and the period that followed reshaped American politics, economics, and foreign

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*relations; in the
process, says Donald,
Truman delineated the
complex international
order that would
dominate global politics
for the next four*

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decades. Yet his accomplishments, such as the liberal reforms of the Fair Deal, have long been overshadowed by a second term marred by scandal. Until we

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reevaluate Truman and his presidency, Donald argues, we cannot fully understand the world he helped create. A psychologically penetrating portrait,

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Citizen Soldier candidly weighs Truman's moments of astonishing greatness against his profound shortcomings, offering a balanced treatment of one of America's most

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*consequential—and misund
erstood—presidents.*

*"From master storyteller
and historian H.W.*

*Brands, twice a finalist
for the Pulitzer Prize,
comes the riveting story*

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*of how President Harry
Truman and General
Douglas MacArthur
squared off to decide
America's future in the
aftermath of World War
II. At the height of the*

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*Korean War, President
Harry S. Truman
committed a gaffe that
sent shock waves around
the world. When asked by
a reporter about the
possible use of atomic*

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*weapons in response to
China's entry into the
war, Truman replied
testily, 'The military
commander in the field
will have charge of the
use of the weapons, as*

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he always has.' This suggested that General Douglas MacArthur, the willful, fearless, and highly decorated commander of the American and U.N.

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*forces, had his finger
on the nuclear trigger.
A correction quickly
followed, but the damage
was done; two visions
for America's path
forward were clearly in*

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*opposition, and one man
would have to make way.
Truman was one of the
most unpopular
presidents in American
history. Heir to a
struggling economy, a*

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ruined Europe, and increasing tension with the Soviet Union, on no issue was the path ahead clear and easy. General MacArthur, by contrast, was incredibly popular,

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*as untouchable as any
officer has ever been in
America. The lessons he
drew from World War II
were absolute:
appeasement leads to
disaster and a showdown*

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with the communists was inevitable--the sooner the better. In the nuclear era, when the Soviets, too, had the bomb, the specter of a catastrophic third World

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*War lurked menacingly
close on the horizon.
The contest of wills
between these two
titanic characters
unfolds against the
turbulent backdrop of a*

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*faraway war and terrors
conjured at home by
Joseph McCarthy. From
the drama of Stalin's
blockade of West Berlin
to the daring landing of
MacArthur's forces at*

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*Inchon to the shocking
entrance of China into
the war, The General and
the President vividly
evokes the making of a
new American era"--
The #1 New York Times*

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*bestseller from David
McCullough, two-time
winner of the Pulitzer
Prize—the dramatic story—
behind-the-story about
the courageous brothers
who taught the world how*

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*to fly—Wilbur and
Orville Wright. On a
winter day in 1903, in
the Outer Banks of North
Carolina, two
brothers—bicycle
mechanics from Dayton,*

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*Ohio—changed history.
But it would take the
world some time to
believe that the age of
flight had begun, with
the first powered
machine carrying a*

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*pilot. Orville and
Wilbur Wright were men
of exceptional courage
and determination, and
of far-ranging
intellectual interests
and ceaseless curiosity.*

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When they worked together, no problem seemed to be insurmountable. Wilbur was unquestionably a genius. Orville had such mechanical ingenuity as

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few had ever seen. That they had no more than a public high school education and little money never stopped them in their mission to take to the air. Nothing did,

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not even the self-evident reality that every time they took off, they risked being killed. In this "enjoyable, fast-paced tale" (The Economist),

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*master historian David
McCullough "shows as
never before how two
Ohio boys from a
remarkable family taught
the world to fly" (The
Washington Post) and*

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“captures the marvel of what the Wrights accomplished” (The Wall Street Journal). He draws on the extensive Wright family papers to profile not only the

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*brothers but their
sister, Katharine,
without whom things
might well have gone
differently for them.
Essential reading, this
is "a story of timeless*

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*importance, told with
uncommon empathy and
fluency...about what might
be the most astonishing
feat mankind has ever
accomplished...The Wright
Brothers soars" (The New*

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York Times Book Review) .
Address by David
McCullough

Alice James
A Biography
A Life

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*Portrait of a Strange
Political Marriage
The Hidden White House*

*The essays in this volume
provide a wide-ranging overview
of the intentions, achievements,
and failures of the Truman*

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administration.

From “one of our most gifted living writers” (The Washington Post), this collection includes David McCullough’s masterful biographies of three great presidents: John Adams, Harry

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S. Truman, and Theodore Roosevelt. Both John Adams and Truman won the Pulitzer Prize for biography. This boxed set will include the following three volumes: John Adams The Pulitzer Prize-winning,

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*bestselling biography of
America's founding father and
second president that was the
basis for the acclaimed HBO
series, John Adams reads like an
epic historical novel, breathing
fresh life into the history of the*

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*American Revolution and the
birth of the young republic.
Truman The Pulitzer
Prize-winning biography of
Harry S. Truman, whose
presidency included momentous
events from the atomic*

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bombing of Japan to the outbreak of the Cold War and the Korean War. Mornings on Horseback The National Book Award-winning biography that tells the story of how young Teddy Roosevelt transformed

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himself from a sickly boy into the vigorous man who would become a war hero and ultimately president of the United States.

In Designing US Economic Policy , W. Robert Brazelton analyzes

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the development of US economic policy in the aftermath of the Second World War. As the world struggled to recover from the massive wartime expenditure, it was essential that economic policy

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not repeat the mistakes of the prewar era which sparked the 1930s Depression. These policies included Truman's New Deal, which helped shape both the economic and social climate of the USA today.

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*Roosevelt, Bess Wallace
Truman, George Marshall, Joe
McCarthy, and Dean
Acheson—and dramatic events.
In this riveting biography,
acclaimed historian David
McCullough not only captures*

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the man—a more complex, informed, and determined man than ever before imagined—but also the turbulent times in which he rose, boldly, to meet unprecedented challenges. The last president to serve as a

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living link between the nineteenth and the twentieth centuries, Truman's story spans the raw world of the Missouri frontier, World War I, the powerful Pendergast machine of Kansas City, the legendary

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*Whistle-Stop Campaign of 1948,
and the decisions to drop the
atomic bomb, confront Stalin at
Potsdam, send troops to Korea,
and fire General MacArthur.
Drawing on newly discovered
archival material and extensive*

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interviews with Truman's own family, friends, and Washington colleagues, McCullough tells the deeply moving story of the seemingly ordinary "man from Missouri" who was perhaps the most courageous president in

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our history.

Soldiers And Slaves

Dear Bess

Biographies of Great Men

Nuclear Diplomacy Since 1945

Character Above All

The Pioneers

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Truman

Chronicles the life of
America's second
president, including his
youth, his career as a
Massachusetts farmer and
lawyer, his marriage to

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Abigail, his rivalry
with Thomas Jefferson,
and his influence on the
birth of the United
States.

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include Doris Kearns
Goodwin on FDR, David
McCullough on Truman,
Stephen Ambrose on
Eisenhower, Richard
Reeves on Kennedy, and
Peggy Noonan on Reagan.

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35,000 first printing.

"As part of the Treaty of Paris, in which Great Britain recognized the new United States of America, Britain ceded the land that comprised

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the immense Northwest Territory, a wilderness empire northwest of the Ohio River containing the future states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

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A Massachusetts minister named Manasseh Cutler was instrumental in opening this vast territory to veterans of the Revolutionary War and their families for

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settlement. Included in the Northwest Ordinance were three remarkable conditions: freedom of religion, free universal education, and most importantly, the

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prohibition of slavery.
In 1788 the first band
of pioneers set out from
New England for the
Northwest Territory
under the leadership of
Revolutionary War

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veteran General Rufus Putnam. They settled in what is now Marietta on the banks of the Ohio River. McCullough tells the story through five major characters: Cutler

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and Putnam; Cutler's son
Ephraim; and two other
men, one a carpenter
turned architect, and
the other a physician
who became a prominent
figure in American

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science. They and their families created a town in a primeval wilderness, while coping with such frontier realities as trees of a size never imagined,

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floods, fires, wolves,
bears, even an
earthquake, all the
while negotiating a
contentious and
sometimes hostile
relationship with the

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native people. Like so many of McCullough's subjects, they let no obstacle deter or defeat them. Drawn in great part from a rare and all-but-unknown collection

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of diaries and letters
by the key figures, The
Pioneers is a uniquely
American story of people
whose ambition and
courage led them to
remarkable

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accomplishments."--Dust
jacket.

In this riveting
biography, David
McCullough captures
Harry S. Truman and the
turbulent, historically

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significant times during
which he served.

The Extraordinary
Presidency of an

Ordinary Man, 1945-1953

Author of "Truman" :

Guest of Honor and

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Recipient of the Harry
S. Truman Good Neighbor
Award

The Autobiography of
Harry S. Truman
The Accidental President
Designing US Economic

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Policy

Citizen Soldier

Man of the People

Dwight D. Eisenhower and Richard Nixon had a political and private relationship that lasted nearly twenty years, a tie that

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survived hurtful slights, tense misunderstandings, and the distance between them in age and temperament. Yet the two men brought out the best and worst in each other, and their association had important

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consequences for their respective presidencies. In Ike and Dick, Jeffrey Frank rediscovers these two compelling figures with the sensitivity of a novelist and the discipline of a historian. He

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offers a fresh view of the younger Nixon as a striving tactician, as well as the ever more perplexing person that he became. He portrays Eisenhower, the legendary soldier, as a cold, even vain man

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with a warm smile whose sound instincts about war and peace far outpaced his understanding of the changes occurring in his own country. Eisenhower and Nixon shared striking characteristics: high intelligence, cunning, and

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an aversion to confrontation, especially with each other. Ike and Dick, informed by dozens of interviews and deep archival research, traces the path of their relationship in a dangerous world of recurring crises as

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Nixon's ambitions grew and Eisenhower was struck by a series of debilitating illnesses. And, as the 1968 election cycle approached and the war in Vietnam roiled the country, it shows why Eisenhower, mortally

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ill and despite his doubts,
supported Nixon's final attempt
to win the White House, a change
influenced by a family matter: his
grandson David's courtship of
Nixon's daughter
Julie—teenagers in love who

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understood the political stakes of their union.

"This timely collection of speeches by David McCullough, the most honored historian in the United States--winner of two Pulitzer Prizes, two National

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Book Awards, and the Presidential Medal of Freedom, among many other honors--reminds us of fundamental American principles. Over the course of his distinguished career, David

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McCullough has spoken before Congress, the White House, colleges and universities, historical societies, and other esteemed institutions. Now, as many Americans engage in self-reflection following a bitter

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election campaign that has left the country divided, McCullough has collected some of his most important speeches in a brief volume that articulates important principles and characteristics that are particularly

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American..."--Jacket.

Documents the fate of 350 American POWs, captured during the Battle of the Bulge, who were singled out by the Nazis because of their Jewish origins or Jewish appearance,

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sent to a concentration camps as slave labor, brutalized and starved, and led on a death march that ended with liberation, and explains why their story was largely forgotten. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

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A detailed account of the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge providing background on its engineering history as well as the political and social climate of the late-nineteenth century. Reissue. 10,000 first printing.

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The Great Bridge

John Adams, 1776, Truman, The
Course of Human Events

John Adams

1776, Brave Companions, The
Great Bridge, John Adams, The
Johnstown Flood, Mornings on

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Horseback, Path Between the
Seas, Truman, The Course of
Human Events
Who We Are and What We Stand
For
The Correspondence of Eleanor
Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman

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The Truman Presidency
In this collection,
published for the first
time, we follow Harry S.
Truman and Dean Acheson,
two giants of the post-
World War II period, as

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they move from an official relationship to one of candor, humor, and personal expression. In these letters, spanning the years from when both were newly out

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of office until
Acheson's death at age
78, we find them sharing
the often surprising
opinions, ideas, and
feelings that the
strictures of their

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offices had previously kept them from revealing. They felt a powerful need to keep in touch as they viewed with dismay what they considered to be the

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Eisenhower
administration's
fumbling of foreign
affairs and the impact
of Joseph McCarthy.
After Kennedy won in
1960, they discussed

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Acheson's reluctant involvement in the Cuban missile crisis and the Allied position in Berlin--From publisher description.

A look at the

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president's tumultuous
first four months in
office examines the
events he presided over,
including the founding
of the United Nations,
the Nazi surrender, the

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liberation of
concentration camps, and
the decision to drop the
bomb.

The Wright Brothers by
David McCullough | A
15-Minute Summary &

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Analysis Preview: In the outskirts of North Carolina, on a small hamlet barely inhabitable and just shy of the stone age, history would take a

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flying leap into the vast unknown. A daring gamble that would test the very limits of the possible and for once cement the notion that conquering impossibility

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was just one risk away.
On 1903, on a remote
spot of land, besieged
by winds and winter
weather, modern age of
aviation was born. Kitty
Hawk secured its spot in

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the annals of history
when two adventurous
brothers overcame
gravity and proved that
flight was no longer the
sole domain of the
birds. Their names were

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Wilbur and Orville, and they would forever be called "The Wright Brothers." David McCullough's latest book once more proves that the Pulitzer garnered

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writer is not only a force to be reckoned with, but quite possibly the absolute authority as far as historical fictions are concerned. His meticulous, almost

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painstaking study into
the lives of the two
pioneering auto-
didactics that rewrote
the laws of aerodynamics
is nothing short of a
thrilling romance set in

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an a particular age; the age of invention. A romance of men and creativity. A period in American history where the outflow of patents and breakthroughs flowed

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like honey onto a
continuously gobsmacked
nation. PLEASE NOTE:
This is a Summary and
Analysis of the book and
NOT the original book.
This companion includes

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the following: - Book
Review- Character List-
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