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**River & Road Nov 03 2020 "A fascinating tour of
the historic neighborhoods along McGregor
Boulevard, blending local history and documenting
Fort Myers's architectural legacy with lavish
photographs."--Gerri Reaves, author of *Legendary***

Locals of Fort Myers "With its striking photographs and engaging stories of past and contemporary characters, this book captures the architectural and historical significance of houses in Fort Myers."--Linda Stevenson, principal architect, Stevenson Architects, Inc. "Covers a unique historical precedent by using architecture as snapshots of time during Fort Myers's growth and development to show how it has become the dynamic and successful city it is today."--Guy W. Peterson, FAIA River & Road is a visual and narrative history of the architectural evolution and urban development of Southwest Florida as shown in Fort Myers, Florida. A top tourist destination to this day, the Gulf Coast city has been home to the winter estates of the rich and famous, including Thomas Edison, Henry Ford, and oil tycoon Ambrose McGregor. The city's famed McGregor Boulevard continues to draw visitors with its eclectic blend of houses and unique histories dating back to the nineteenth century. As the twentieth century dawned, the reputation of Fort Myers as a haven for health cures, business opportunities, and tarpon fishing lured adventurers and opportunists. Hundreds of attractive homes of varied styles were designed for millionaires and magnates during the boom of the Roaring Twenties and beyond, and today houses representing every significant architectural period--including the Spanish, Mediterranean, Italian Renaissance, Greek, and Colonial Revivals--line the roadway along the

Caloosahatchee River. Jared Beck and Pamela Miner share stories about the creators and owners of these one-of-a-kind properties, accompanied by striking photographs. Historic places have been carefully preserved and creatively renovated according to the visions of their owners, and modern designers have been drawn to the neighborhood to build masterpieces of their own. These dream homes showcase the work of nationally renowned and local architects, including Henry Van Ryn, Gerrit de Gelleke, Nat Gaillard Walker, William Frizzell, Robert Matts, Bruce Gora, Kathryn Kelly, and Jeff Mudgett. With privileged access into many of the private residences, Beck and Miner unveil the historically and culturally vibrant neighborhoods at the heart of Fort Myer's past and present. Jared Beck is an urban planner with a focused background including urban redevelopment, historic preservation, and community development. Pamela Miner is a historian with experience in historic preservation, museums, and education and is the former curator of collections and interpretation for the Edison & Ford Winter Estates.

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Duveen Brothers and the Market for Decorative Arts, 1880-1940 Nov 22 2019 A fully illustrated study of the Duveen Brothers Company, the firm behind many of the United States' most famous museum collections.

Uncommon Friends May 09 2021 Describes the author's friendship with five influential people

and portrays their characters and personal lives
Grinding It Out Jan 25 2020 "The personal story behind founder Ray Kroc's amazing success!"--Cover.

Henry Ford Mar 27 2020 A timeless lesson about life and business from the legendary entrepreneur Henry Ford. Few books about business could be more relevant in today's fast-paced, technology-driven world than Henry's Ford's classic *My Life and Work*. First printed in 1922, this restored Enlarged Special Edition includes: - Easy to read 7" x 10" pages - Classic type font - Author's original page layouts - New retro-inspired cover design The name Ford is synonymous with automobiles, but Henry Ford was much more than just a name. He was a brilliant inventor, entrepreneur, and a genius at business. Born in 1863, Ford is regarded as the father of the modern assembly line technology and mass production. The founder of the Ford Motor Company saw a future where machines and employees worked side by side for the betterment of business and society. In today's tech landscape fueled by greed and a lack of business ethics, the words of Mr. Ford are more relevant than ever. Table of contents: Chapter 1: The Beginning Chapter 2: What I Learned About Business Chapter 3: Starting the Real Business Chapter 4: The Secret of Manufacturing and Serving Chapter 5: Getting Into Production Chapter 6: Machines and Men Chapter 7: The Terror of the Machine Chapter 8: Wages Chapter 9: Why Not Always Have Good Business?

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Classic Clocks, The Aeroplane Speaks, and much
more.

Henry Ford Aug 12 2021 Henry Ford Henry Ford
once announced to a young schoolboy that it was
he who had invented the modern age. Born on a
farm in rural Michigan three weeks after the
battle of Gettysburg, Ford hated everything about
farming as soon as he could understand what it
was about. So he turned his attention to the farm
machinery that made the family farm run, and
never looked back. It was his love of machines,
then engines, and finally automobiles that Henry
Ford is best known for. He designed and
manufactured cars which would transform not just

his family's little farm, and not just the city of Detroit. The automobile would change the world; ushering in a whole new way of living one's life. A modern life, to be sure. Beneath this diligent tycoon, lay a man of many contradictions. He worked hard to give the average American an affordable car and believed that mass consumerism was the key to keeping the world safe from war. Yet he opposed labor unions, supposedly sired a son with another woman, and was an enthusiastic anti-Semite. Inside you will read about... ✓ Henry Ford's Early Years ✓ Ford's Love for Engines ✓ The Ford Motor Company and the Model T ✓ Disdain of Labor Unions ✓ The Anti-Semite Problem ✓ Later Years and Death And much more! Follow along as you come to know Henry Ford, the man responsible for putting America and the world behind the wheels of their own cars. Was this man a genius or a dominator? Did he want those around him to live free lives with the things he invented or was he only satisfied when people read his newspaper and obeyed his advice? Read on, and form your own conclusion.

Six Tycoons Jun 10 2021 John D Rockefeller. Cornelius Vanderbilt. Andrew Carnegie. John Jacob Astor. Henry Ford. Joseph P Kennedy. Even today, long after their deaths, the names of these six men continue to be associated with wealth and power. When they were alive, they dominated their worlds as few men had done before, and few have done since. These are the life stories of six of the richest men who ever lived in America. Their

lives offer us windows into ways of life over two centuries that most of us can only imagine, and an opportunity to glimpse times when laws, attitudes, prejudices and opportunities were very different from today. Their achievements - financial, political and social - continue to affect us, for good or ill, to this day. Their mistakes still offer important lessons about the acquisition, use and abuse of wealth and power. And had they not lived, the history of America - and the world - might have been very different indeed.

Today and Tomorrow Oct 02 2020

The People's Tycoon Nov 27 2022 How a Michigan farm boy became the richest man in America is a classic, almost mythic tale, but never before has Henry Ford's outsized genius been brought to life so vividly as it is in this engaging and superbly researched biography. The real Henry Ford was a tangle of contradictions. He set off the consumer revolution by producing a car affordable to the masses, all the while lamenting the moral toll exacted by consumerism. He believed in giving his workers a living wage, though he was entirely opposed to union labor. He had a warm and loving relationship with his wife, but sired a son with another woman. A rabid anti-Semite, he nonetheless embraced African American workers in the era of Jim Crow. Uncovering the man behind the myth, situating his achievements and their attendant controversies firmly within the context of early twentieth-century America, Watts has

given us a comprehensive, illuminating, and fascinating biography of one of America's first mass-culture celebrities.

JFK and the Masculine Mystique Feb 24 2020 A cultural examination of the popularity and allure of the thirty-fifth president reveals how Kennedy was tailored to appeal to the public of his time, explaining how he symbolized postwar views about American masculinity.

The Vagabonds Jan 17 2022 A "fascinating slice of rarely considered American history" (Booklist)—the story of Henry Ford and Thomas Edison—whose annual summer sojourns introduced the road trip to our culture and made the automobile an essential part of modern life. In 1914 Henry Ford and naturalist John Burroughs visited Thomas Edison in Florida and toured the Everglades. The following year Ford, Edison, and tire maker Harvey Firestone joined together on a summer camping trip and decided to call themselves the Vagabonds. They would continue their summer road trips until 1925, when they announced that their fame made it too difficult for them to carry on. Although the Vagabonds traveled with an entourage of chefs, butlers, and others, this elite fraternity also had a serious purpose: to examine the conditions of America's roadways and improve the practicality of automobile travel. Cars were unreliable and the roads were even worse. But newspaper coverage of these trips was extensive, and as cars and roads improved, the summer trip by automobile soon

became a desired element of American life. The Vagabonds is “a portrait of America’s burgeoning love affair with the automobile” (NPR) but it also sheds light on the important relationship between the older Edison and the younger Ford, who once worked for the famous inventor. The road trips made the automobile ubiquitous and magnified Ford’s reputation, even as Edison’s diminished. The automobile would transform the American landscape, the American economy, and the American way of life and Guinn brings this seminal moment in history to vivid life.

Business Biographies and Memoirs - Titans of Industry Dec 16 2021 The five 'Titans of Industry' discussed in this series are, without a doubt, the most influential and impactful men in American history. Without any one of them, the entire landscape of the US would be different. They are the founders of the American economy. We live in a world today that is based on the actions of John D. Rockefeller. Everything we do and how we live are the result of oil and its power. J.P. Morgan is more than just the name on one of the largest banks in America; He built the financial world we live in today. Henry Ford not only revolutionized the automobile industry, but the assembly line he created has changed the way the entire world thinks about manufacturing. Grab a copy, pull up a chair, pour your favorite reading beverage, and dive into the lives of the men who built America.

Young Henry Ford Mar 19 2022 Young Henry Ford is

a visual and textual presentation of the first forty years of Henry Ford—an American farm boy who became one of the greatest manufacturers of modern times and profoundly impacted the habits of American life. In *Young Henry Ford*, Sidney Olson dispels some of the myths attached to this automobile legend, going beyond the Henry Ford of mass production and the five-dollar day, and offers a more intimate understanding of Henry Ford and the time he lived in. Through hundreds of restored photographs, including some of Ford's own taken with his first camera, *Young Henry Ford* revisits an America now gone—of long days on the farm, travel by horse and buggy, and one-room schoolhouses. Some of the rare illustrations include the first picture of Henry Ford, photos from Edsel's childhood, snapshots of the interior and exterior of the Ford homestead, Clara and Henry's wedding invitation, and photos of the early stages of the first automobile.

Autobiography of Andrew Carnegie Sep 20 2019
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Boomer Nation Jun 29 2020 The Baby Boomers, born between 1946 and 1964, form the single largest demographic spike in American history. Never before or since have birth rates shot up and remained so high so long, with some obvious results: when the Boomers were kids, American culture revolved around families and schools; when they were teenagers, the United States was wracked by rebelliousness; now, as mature adults, the Boomers have led America to become the richest and most powerful country in the history of the world. Boomer Nation will for the first time offer an incisive look into this generation that has redefined America's culture in so many ways, from women's rights and civil rights to religion and politics. Steve Gillon combines firsthand reporting of the lives of six Boomers and their families with a broad look at postwar American history in a fascinating mix of biography and history. His characters, like America itself, reflect a variety of heritages:

rich and poor, black and white, immigrant and native born. Their lives take very different paths, yet are shaped by key events and trends in similar ways. They put a human face on the Boomer generation, showing what it means to grow up amid widespread prosperity, with an explosion of democratic autonomy that led to great upheavals but also a renewal from below of our churches, industries, and even the armed forces. The same generation dismissed as pampered and selfish has led a revival of religion in America; the same generation that unleashed the women's movement has also shifted our politics into its most market-oriented, anti-governmental era since Woodrow Wilson. Gillon draws many lessons from this "generational history" -- above all, that the Boomers have transformed America from the security- and authority-seeking culture of their parents to the autonomy- and freedom-rich world of today. When the "greatest generation" was young and not yet at war, it was widely derided as selfish and spoiled. Only in hindsight, long after the sacrifices of World War II, did it gain its sterling reputation. Today, as Boomer America rises to the challenges of the war on terror, we may be on the cusp of a reevaluation of the generation of Presidents Bush and Clinton. That generation has helped make America the richest, strongest nation on the planet, and as Gillon's book proves, it has had more influence on the rest of us than any other group. Boomer Nation is an eye-opening reinterpretation of the past six

decades.

"History is Bunk" Jan 05 2021 Reconstructs the history of a singular American museum

Electric City Dec 24 2019 The extraordinary, unknown story of two giants of American history—Henry Ford and Thomas Edison—and their attempt to create an electric-powered city of tomorrow on the Tennessee River During the roaring twenties, two of the most revered and influential men in American business proposed to transform one of the country's poorest regions into a dream technological metropolis, a shining paradise of small farms, giant factories, and sparkling laboratories. Henry Ford and Thomas Edison's "Detroit of the South" would be ten times the size of Manhattan, powered by renewable energy, and free of air pollution. And it would reshape American society, introducing mass commuting by car, use a new kind of currency called "energy dollars," and have the added benefit (from Ford and Edison's view) of crippling the growth of socialism. The whole audacious scheme almost came off, with Southerners rallying to support what became known as the Ford Plan. But while some saw it as a way to conjure the future and reinvent the South, others saw it as one of the biggest land swindles of all time. They were all true. Electric City is a rich chronicle of the time and the social backdrop, and offers a fresh look at the lives of the two men who almost saw the project to fruition, the forces that came to oppose them,

and what rose in its stead: a new kind of public corporation called the Tennessee Valley Authority, one of the greatest achievements of the New Deal. This is a history for a wide audience, including readers interested in American history, technology, politics, and the future.

Henry Ford Dec 04 2020 If we could peer at each other's driveways right now, there is a more than reasonable chance that we would be looking at a vehicle with an elliptical blue badge. Written in white across its middle will be the word 'Ford.' If we find ourselves in one of many countries: the USA, Canada, the United Kingdom - often New Zealand - then that car not only has a fair opportunity of being a Ford. It is more likely to be of that brand than any other. Even in some surprising outposts, Ford reigns supreme - Nigeria, Venezuela to name just two. Indeed, the very fact that there is an automobile in our driveways at all is in large part down to one man. Henry Ford. Inside you'll read about An Automobile for All Born to Create The Power of Ford A Political Beast Plagued by Imperfections 'If I'd Listened to Customers, I'd Have Given Them a Faster Horse' And much more! Is everything about Henry Ford good? This is a man who was more than liberally doused in dogma. Ford was a man whose existence changed the way we live. With the Ford Model T, he brought affordable, flexible transport to the masses. Henry Ford opened up the world. Here is the story of a man of contrasts -

genius and pendant, pacifist and supporter of thuggery, social liberator, and Orwellian Big Brother. Whatever we conclude about Henry Ford, he is undoubtedly a man about whom we should know more.

RESUMEN - The People's Tycoon / El magnate del pueblo: Henry Ford y el siglo americano Por Steven Watts Apr 27 2020 Al leer este resumen, aprenderá cuáles son las principales características de la vida de Henry Ford (1863-1947), uno de los principales inventores de la modernidad. También aprenderá que : Henry Ford era hijo de agricultores del estado de Michigan, en el Medio Oeste; Lenin era un admirador de Henry Ford; Henry Ford era antisemita; También era anticatólico; Ford pagaba altos salarios a sus trabajadores; Ford fue uno de los primeros promotores del camping. Henry Ford es un mito y un mito difícil de superar. Si la biografía de Steven Watts no pretende ser exhaustiva, pone sin embargo de relieve las contradicciones fundacionales de este hombre mítico. A la vez antisemita y defensor de la causa de los negros en la América racialmente segregada, marido cariñoso pero con un hijo de otra mujer, jefe generoso con sus trabajadores pero opuesto al sindicalismo... Nunca se dejaría de subrayar la complejidad de Henry Ford. Una complejidad a la que sirve admirablemente esta obra, que utiliza por primera vez algunos documentos de archivo que nunca antes habían sido explotados.

Henry Ford Jul 23 2022

Fordlandia Nov 15 2021 The stunning, never before told story of the quixotic attempt to recreate small-town America in the heart of the Amazon In 1927, Henry Ford, the richest man in the world, bought a tract of land twice the size of Delaware in the Brazilian Amazon. His intention was to grow rubber, but the project rapidly evolved into a more ambitious bid to export America itself, along with its golf courses, ice-cream shops, bandstands, indoor plumbing, and Model Ts rolling down broad streets. Fordlandia, as the settlement was called, quickly became the site of an epic clash. On one side was the car magnate, lean, austere, the man who reduced industrial production to its simplest motions; on the other, the Amazon, lush, extravagant, the most complex ecological system on the planet. Ford's early success in imposing time clocks and square dances on the jungle soon collapsed, as indigenous workers, rejecting his midwestern Puritanism, turned the place into a ribald tropical boomtown. Fordlandia's eventual demise as a rubber plantation foreshadowed the practices that today are laying waste to the rain forest. More than a parable of one man's arrogant attempt to force his will on the natural world, Fordlandia depicts a desperate quest to salvage the bygone America that the Ford factory system did much to dispatch. As Greg Grandin shows in this gripping and mordantly observed history, Ford's great delusion was not that the Amazon could be tamed but that the forces of capitalism,

once released, might yet be contained. *Fordlandia* is a 2009 National Book Award Finalist for Nonfiction.

Henry Ford Jul 31 2020 In this one-hour history book, discover the life of Henry Ford, the founder of the Ford Motors Company from beginning to end. Some people believe that Henry Ford invented the automobile. He didn't, but he is credited with bringing the automobile to the masses. Ford believed that common people had more need for personal vehicles than the rich, and this belief led him to focus on mass-producing vehicles that would be practical, reliable and cheap enough for anyone. Ironically, by doing just that Ford also became one of the wealthiest and most famous businessmen of his time-or any time. His net worth would be almost double that of Bill Gates and Warren Buffet were it to be calculated in today's money. This is the story of one of America's most celebrated entrepreneurs and greatest inventors. After reading this one-hour biography of Henry Ford's life, you will know everything about one of the greatest innovator and business leader America has ever known and how he changed the course of history. Download FREE with Kindle Unlimited! Scroll back up and click the Buy Now button located on the right side of this page.

Henry Ford Aug 24 2022 A brief biography introduces the accomplishments of Henry Ford, who not only manufactured automobiles but also invented mass production.

Full of Beans Feb 18 2022 A NSTA/CBC Best STEM Book Famous car-maker and businessman Henry Ford loved beans. And he showed great innovation with his determination to build his most inventive car--one completely made of soybeans. With a mind for ingenuity, Henry Ford looked to improve life for others. After the Great Depression struck, Ford especially wanted to support ailing farmers. For two years, Ford and his team researched ways to use farmers' crops in his Ford Motor Company. They discovered that the soybean was the perfect answer. Soon, Ford's cars contained many soybean plastic parts, and Ford incorporated soybeans into every part of his life. He ate soybeans, he wore clothes made of soybean fabric, and he wanted to drive soybeans, too. Award-winning author Peggy Thomas and illustrator Edwin Fotheringham explore this American icon's little-known quest.

I Invented the Modern Age Jun 22 2022 A lively account of Henry Ford's invention of the Model-T places his innovations against a backdrop of a steam-powered world and offers insight into his innate mechanical talents and pioneering work in internal combustion, describing his indelible impact on American culture and the perplexing subsequent changes in his personality.

SUMMARY - The People's Tycoon: Henry Ford And The American Century By Steven Watts Oct 26 2022
* Our summary is short, simple and pragmatic. It allows you to have the essential ideas of a big book in less than 30 minutes. By reading this

summary, you will learn what are the main features of the life of Henry Ford (1863-1947), one of the main inventors of modernity. You will also learn that : Henry Ford was the son of farmers in the Midwestern state of Michigan; Lenin was an admirer of Henry Ford; Henry Ford was anti-Semitic; He was also anti-Catholic; Ford paid high wages to his workers; Ford was one of the first promoters of camping. Henry Ford is a myth and a myth that is hard to get around. If Steven Watts' biography does not claim to be exhaustive, it nevertheless highlights the founding contradictions of this mythical man. At once an anti-Semite and a champion of the cause of Blacks in racially segregated America, a loving husband but with a son from another woman, a boss who was generous with his workers but opposed to unionism... One would never cease to underline the complexity of Henry Ford. A complexity admirably served by this work, which for the first time uses for the first time some archival documents that had never before been exploited. *Buy now the summary of this book for the modest price of a cup of coffee!

American Icon Oct 22 2019 The inside story of the epic turnaround of Ford Motor Company under the leadership of CEO Alan Mulally. At the end of 2008, Ford Motor Company was just months away from running out of cash. With the auto industry careening toward ruin, Congress offered all three Detroit automakers a bailout. General Motors and Chrysler grabbed the taxpayer lifeline, but Ford

decided to save itself. Under the leadership of charismatic CEO Alan Mulally, Ford had already put together a bold plan to unify its divided global operations, transform its lackluster product lineup, and overcome a dysfunctional culture of infighting, backstabbing, and excuses. It was an extraordinary risk, but it was the only way the Ford family—America's last great industrial dynasty—could hold on to their company. Mulally and his team pulled off one of the greatest comebacks in business history. As the rest of Detroit collapsed, Ford went from the brink of bankruptcy to being the most profitable automaker in the world. *American Icon* is the compelling, behind-the-scenes account of that epic turnaround. In one of the great management narratives of our time, Hoffman puts the reader inside the boardroom as Mulally uses his celebrated Business Plan Review meetings to drive change and force Ford to deal with the painful realities of the American auto industry. Hoffman was granted unprecedented access to Ford's top executives and top-secret company documents. He spent countless hours with Alan Mulally, Bill Ford, the Ford family, former executives, labor leaders, and company directors. In the bestselling tradition of *Too Big to Fail* and *The Big Short*, *American Icon* is narrative nonfiction at its vivid and colorful best.

Howard Hughes: His Life and Madness Apr 08 2021
The life that inspired the major motion picture *The Aviator*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and

directed by Martin Scorsese. Howard Hughes has always fascinated the public with his mixture of secrecy, dashing lifestyle, and reclusiveness. This is the book that breaks through the image to get at the man. Originally published under the title *Empire: The Life, Legend, and Madness of Howard Hughes*.

Henry Ford Apr 20 2022 Most great figures in American history reveal great contradictions, and Henry Ford is no exception. He championed his workers, offering unprecedented wages, yet crushed their attempts to organize. Virulently anti-Semitic, he never employed fewer than 3,000 Jews. An outspoken pacifist, he made millions producing war materials. He urbanized the modern world, and then tried to drag it back into a romanticized rural past he'd helped to destroy. As the American auto industry struggles to reinvent itself, Vincent Curcio's timely biography offers a wealth of new insight into the man who started it all. Henry Ford not only founded Ford Motor Company but institutionalized assembly line production and, some would argue, created the American middle class. By constantly improving his product and increasing sales, Ford was able to lower the price of the automobile until it became a universal commodity. He paid his workers so well that, for the first time in history, the people who manufactured a complex industrial product could own one. This was "Fordism"--social engineering on a vast scale. But, as Curcio displays, Ford's anti-Semitism

would forever stain his reputation. Hitler admired him greatly, both for his anti-Semitism and his autocratic leadership, displaying Ford's picture in his bedroom and keeping a copy of Ford's *My Life and Work* by his bedside. Nevertheless, Ford's economic and social initiatives, as well as his deft handling of his public image, kept his popularity high among Americans. He offered good pay, good benefits, English language classes, and employment for those who struggled to find jobs--handicapped, African-American, and female workers. Such was his popularity that in 1923, the homespun, clean-living, xenophobic Henry Ford nearly won the Republican presidential nomination. This new volume in the *Lives and Legacies* series explores the full impact of Ford's indisputable greatness, the deep flaws that complicate his legacy, and what he means for our own time.

Henry Ford And The Jews Sep 13 2021 Describes how Henry Ford promoted his anti-Semitic views in "The Dearborn Independent" and other publications and examines the response of the Jewish community in America as well as Ford's impact on the spread of anti-Semitism in Europe before World War II.

The Snowball Aug 20 2019 Shortlisted for the Financial Times and Goldman Sachs Business Book of the Year Prize 2008 *The Snowball* is the first and will be the only biography of the world's richest man, Warren Buffett, written with his full cooperation and collaboration. Combining a unique blend of "The Sage of Omaha's" business

savvy, life story and philosophy, *The Snowball* is essential reading for anyone wishing to discover and replicate the secrets of his business and life success. Warren Buffett is arguably the world's greatest investor. Even as a child he was fascinated by the concept of risk and probability, setting up his first business at the age of six. In 1964 he bought struggling Massachusetts textile firm Berkshire Hathaway and grew it to be the 12th largest corporation in the US purely through the exercise of sound investing principles - a feat never equalled in the annals of business. Despite an estimated net worth of around US\$62 billion, Buffett leads an intriguingly frugal life taking home a salary of only £50,000 a year. His only indulgence is a private jet, an extravagance he wryly acknowledges by calling it "The Indefensible". In 2006, he made the largest charitable donation on record, with most of it going to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. *The Snowball* provides a comprehensive, richly detailed insight into one of the world's most extraordinary and much loved public figures.

Self-help Messiah Sep 01 2020 An illuminating biography of the man who taught Americans "how to win friends and influence people" Before Stephen Covey, Oprah Winfrey, and Malcolm Gladwell there was Dale Carnegie. His book, *How to Win Friends and Influence People*, became a best seller worldwide, and *Life* magazine named him one of "the most important Americans of the twentieth

century.” This is the first full-scale biography of this influential figure. Dale Carnegie was born in rural Missouri, his father a poor farmer, his mother a successful preacher. To make ends meet he tried his hand at various sales jobs, and his failure to convince his customers to buy what he had to offer eventually became the fuel behind his future glory. Carnegie quickly figured out that something was amiss in American education and in the ways businesspeople related to each other. What he discovered was as simple as it was profound: Understanding people’s needs and desires is paramount in any successful enterprise. Carnegie conceived his book to help people learn to relate to one another and enrich their lives through effective communication. His success was extraordinary, so hungry was 1920s America for a little psychological insight that was easy to apply to everyday affairs. Self-help Messiah tells the story of Carnegie’s personal journey and how it gave rise to the movement of self-help and personal reinvention.

The Fords Mar 07 2021 In *The Fords: An American Epic*, Peter Collier and David Horowitz tell the riveting story of three generations of Fords, a dramatic story of conflict between fathers and sons played out against the backdrop of America’s greatest industrial empire. The story begins with the first Henry Ford, the mechanical wizard, tinkerer and “mad genius” who drove the automobile into the heart of American life and conquered the world with it. An American

Original, by the end of his life he had become an embittered crank who so possessively loved the company he built that when his son, Edsel, tried to change it to suit the changing times, Henry destroyed him. It was left to Edsel's son Henry II to avenge him and save the Ford Motor Company in the postwar world. From the details of the first Henry's illicit affair and illegitimate son, to the life and loves of "Hank the Deuce" and his celebrated feud with Lee Iacocca, this is an engrossing account of a vital chapter in American history. The authors have added new material to this classic work, showing how Henry II's line lost out to the line of his brother William Clay Ford in the quest to control this most American of companies in the twenty-first century. In addition to The Fords, Peter Collier and David Horowitz are the authors of dynastic biographies of the Kennedys, Roosevelts, Rockefellers, and Fondas.

My Life and Work Oct 14 2021 Henry Ford (July 30, 1863 – April 7, 1947) was an American industrialist, the founder of the Ford Motor Company, and sponsor of the development of the assembly line technique of mass production. Although Ford did not invent the automobile or the assembly line, he developed and manufactured the first automobile that many middle class Americans could afford. This is his story in his own words.

The People's Tycoon Dec 28 2022 How a Michigan farm boy became the richest man in America is a

classic, almost mythic tale, but never before has Henry Ford's outsized genius been brought to life so vividly as it is in this engaging and superbly researched biography. The real Henry Ford was a tangle of contradictions. He set off the consumer revolution by producing a car affordable to the masses, all the while lamenting the moral toll exacted by consumerism. He believed in giving his workers a living wage, though he was entirely opposed to union labor. He had a warm and loving relationship with his wife, but sired a son with another woman. A rabid anti-Semite, he nonetheless embraced African American workers in the era of Jim Crow. Uncovering the man behind the myth, situating his achievements and their attendant controversies firmly within the context of early twentieth-century America, Watts has given us a comprehensive, illuminating, and fascinating biography of one of America's first mass-culture celebrities.

Mr. Playboy May 29 2020 The real Hugh Hefner-the extraordinary inside story of an American icon
""Riveting... Watts packs in plenty of gasp-inducing passages.""-Newark Star Ledger ""Like it or not, Hugh Hefner has affected all of us, so I treasured learning about how and why in the sober biography.""-Chicago Sun Times ""This is a fun book. How could it not be? Watts aims to give a full account of the man, his magazine and their place in social history. Playboy is no longer the cultural force it used to be, but it made a stamp on society.""-Associated Press ""In Steven

Watts' ' exhaustive, illuminating biography Mr. Playboy, Hefner' 's ideal for living -- marked by his allegiances to Tarzan, Freud, Pepsi-Cola and jazz -- proves to be a kind of gloss on the Protestant work ethic.' '-Los Angeles Times

Gorgeous young women in revealing poses; extravagant mansion parties packed with celebrities; a hot-tub grotto, elegant smoking jackets, and round rotating beds; the hedonistic pursuit of uninhibited sex. Put these images together and a single name springs to mind-Hugh Hefner. From his spectacular launch of Playboy magazine and the dizzying expansion of his leisure empire to his recent television hit The Girls Next Door, the publisher has attracted public attention and controversy for decades. But how did a man who is at once socially astute and morally unconventional, part Bill Gates and part Casanova, also evolve into a figure at the forefront of cultural change?In Mr. Playboy, historian and biographer Steven Watts argues that, in the process of becoming fabulously wealthy and famous, Hefner has profoundly altered American life and values. Granted unprecedented access to the man and his enterprise, Watts traces Hef' 's life and career from his midwestern, Methodist upbringing and the first publication of Playboy in 1953 through the turbulent sixties, self-indulgent seventies, reactionary eighties, and traditionalist nineties, up to the present. He reveals that Hefner, from the beginning, believed he could

overturn social norms and take America with him. This fascinating portrait illustrates four ways in which Hefner and Playboy stood at the center of several cultural upheavals that remade the postwar United States. The publisher played a crucial role in the sexual revolution that upended traditional notions of behavior and expectation regarding sex. He emerged as one of the most influential advocates of a rapidly developing consumer culture, flooding Playboy readers with images of material abundance and a leisurely lifestyle. He proved instrumental—with his influential magazine, syndicated television shows, fashionable nightclubs, swanky resorts, and movie and musical projects—in making popular culture into a dominant force in many people's lives. Ironically, Hefner also became a controversial force in the movement for women's rights. Although advocating women's sexual freedom and their liberation from traditional family constraints, the publisher became a whipping boy for feminists who viewed him as a prophet for a new kind of male domination. Throughout, Watts offers singular insights into the real man behind the flamboyant public persona. He shows Hefner's personal dichotomies—the pleasure seeker and the workaholic, the consort of countless Playmates and the genuine romantic, the family man and the Gatsby-like host of lavish parties at his Chicago and Los Angeles mansions who enjoys well-publicized affairs with numerous Playmates, the

fan of life's simple pleasures who hobnobs with the Hollywood elite. Punctuated throughout with descriptions and anecdotes of life at the Playboy Mansions, Mr. Playboy tells the compelling and uniquely American story of how one person with a provocative idea, a finger on the pulse of popular opinion, and a passion for his work altered the course of modern history. Spans from Hefner's childhood to the launch of Playboy magazine and the expansion of t

Henry Ford Feb 06 2021 First published in 1923, this biography is widely regarded by many automotive historians as the finest and most dispassionate character study of Henry Ford ever written. Written by the Reverend Samuel S. Marquis, an Episcopalian minister who was also the head of the sociology department at Ford Motor Company, this collection of essays serves to analyze the "psychological puzzle such as the unusual mind and personality of Henry Ford presents." A gripping read for history buffs and fans of historical biographies. "Students of Henry Ford should be delighted by this republication of Samuel S. Marquis's shrewd evaluation of the legendary industrialist. A close friend and associate of Ford for many years, Marquis developed many compelling insights into the automobile maker's character and personality. One comes away from this book with a much greater sense of what made Ford tick."—STEVEN WATTS, Professor of History at the University of Missouri-Columbia and author of *The*

People's Tycoon: Henry Ford and the American Century "Marquis was the first Ford intimate to criticize the industrialist in print. Aware that he was treading on thin ice, Marquis recalled that Ford had told him that 'the best friend one has is the man who tells him the truth.' Hopefully, the clergyman remarked, '[he] will receive the critical portion of these pages in the same spirit.' Ford emphatically did not...Marquis's book would have been widely read had not the Ford organization been fairly successful in buying up copies and persuading book dealers not to sell it."—DAVID L. LEWIS

Henry Ford - Auto Tycoon May 21 2022 The Ford name is everywhere, even in places where you don't see it. It is ingrained in the American way of life. From the way we make our food to the way we think about cars, it all came from the mind of this Irishman from Michigan. Henry Ford was a titan's titan. In monetary terms, he was richer than the richest man alive today. Yet, he was the gentlest of souls and had the brightest of minds. This book covers his life from when his family immigrated to Michigan until his last breath. It recounts a life from the perspective of someone who wants to understand the genius and spirit within everyone. If you want to learn how he thought and how he went about accomplishing what he did, you will thoroughly enjoy this book. Henry Ford remains one of the best examples to follow in changing how we think and moving our life to a whole new level.

**My Forty Years with Ford Jul 11 2021 An
unflinching eyewitness account of the Ford story
as told by one of Henry Ford's closest
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