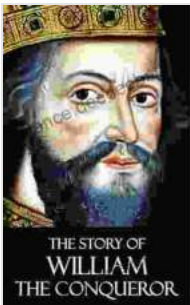


The Story of William the Conqueror: Quintessential Classics Illustrated

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The book begins with the death of Edward the Confessor, King of England. Edward had no children, so the throne was left to his cousin, William, Duke of Normandy. William was a powerful and ambitious man, and he quickly raised an army to invade England.

The English were not prepared for William's invasion. They were defeated at the Battle of Hastings in 1066, and William was crowned King of England. William's victory was a turning point in English history. He

introduced a new system of government and law, and he brought England into closer contact with Europe.

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Characters

- **William the Conqueror:** The Duke of Normandy who invaded England and became King of England.
- **Harold Godwinson:** The Earl of Wessex who was the last Anglo-Saxon King of England.
- **Edward the Confessor:** The King of England who died without children, leaving the throne to William the Conqueror.
- **Matilda of Flanders:** William the Conqueror's wife.
- **Robert Curthose:** William the Conqueror's eldest son.
- **William Rufus:** William the Conqueror's second son.
- **Henry I:** William the Conqueror's youngest son.

Setting

The story takes place in England and Normandy in the 11th century.

Themes

The story explores themes of ambition, power, and conquest. It also examines the impact of the Norman Conquest on English society.

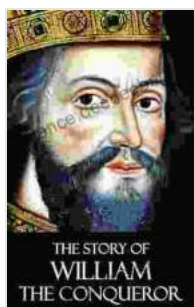
Historical Context

The Norman Conquest was a major turning point in English history. It marked the end of Anglo-Saxon rule and the beginning of Norman rule. The Normans brought with them a new system of government and law, and they also introduced new cultural influences to England. The Norman Conquest had a profound impact on the development of English society and culture.

Legacy

The Story of William the Conqueror is a classic work of historical fiction that has been enjoyed by readers for generations. It is a well-written and exciting book that brings the history of the Norman Conquest to life. The book has also been adapted into several films and television shows.

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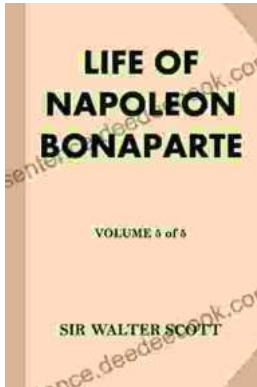
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