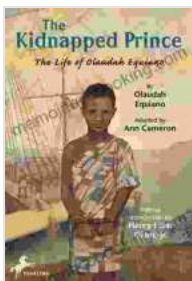


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Olaudah Equiano was born in the Igbo village of Essaka, in what is now Nigeria, in 1745. His childhood was idyllic, spent playing with his siblings and learning the traditions of his people. But at the age of eleven, his life was shattered when he was kidnapped by slave traders and taken to the Americas.



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Equiano was sold to a series of owners, and he endured unimaginable hardships during his years of enslavement. He was beaten, starved, and forced to work long hours in the fields. But despite the horrors he experienced, Equiano never gave up hope. He learned to read and write, and he began to tell his story to anyone who would listen.

In 1789, Equiano published his autobiography, *The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano*. The book was a bestseller, and it played a

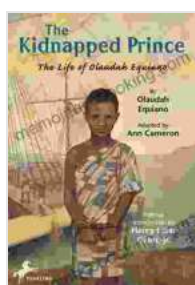
major role in the growing movement to abolish slavery. Equiano became a leading voice in the anti-slavery movement, and he spoke out against the evils of slavery at every opportunity.

Equiano's legacy is immense. He was one of the first African writers to achieve international recognition, and his work helped to shape the way that the world viewed slavery. He was a courageous and determined man, and his story is an inspiration to us all.

The Kidnapped Prince is a gripping and unforgettable biography of Olaudah Equiano. It is a story of hardship, resilience, and hope. Equiano's story is a reminder of the horrors of slavery, but it is also a testament to the power of the human spirit.

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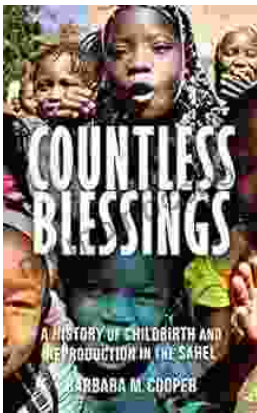
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