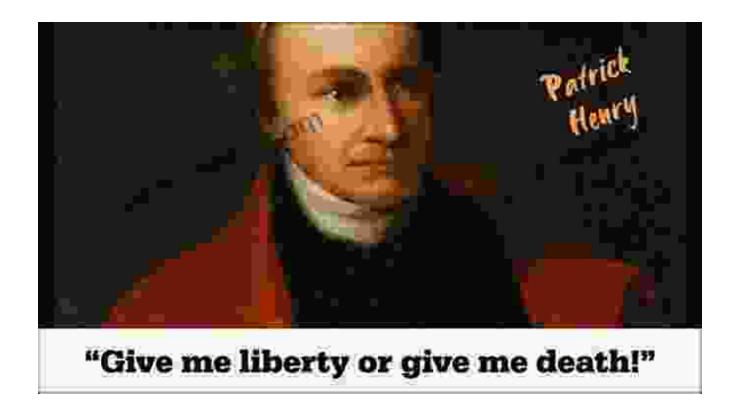
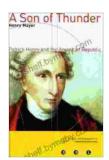
Patrick Henry: The Orator Who Stirred a Revolution



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Early Life and Education

Patrick Henry was born on May 29, 1736, in Studley, Virginia. He was the son of John Henry, a planter, and Sarah Winston Henry. Henry received little formal education, but he was an avid reader and a gifted orator. He began his career as a lawyer in 1760 and quickly gained a reputation for his eloquence and persuasive abilities.

Political Career

Henry entered politics in 1765 when he was elected to the Virginia House of Burgesses. He quickly became a leader of the opposition to British policies, and his speeches helped to rally the colonists against the Stamp Act and other British taxes. In 1774, Henry was a delegate to the First Continental Congress, where he delivered his famous "Liberty or Death" speech. This speech helped to convince the delegates to adopt the Declaration of Independence.

During the American Revolution, Henry served as the first governor of Virginia. He was a strong supporter of the war effort and helped to raise troops and supplies for the Continental Army. After the war, Henry continued to serve in the Virginia legislature and was a leading advocate for the ratification of the Constitution.

Legacy

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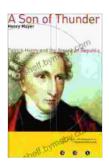
Book Review

The book *Patrick Henry and the American Republic* by Robert A. Rutland is a comprehensive biography of Henry. The book provides a detailed account of Henry's life and career, and it offers a fascinating glimpse into the world of the American Revolution. Rutland's writing is clear and engaging, and he does an excellent job of bringing Henry to life.

Patrick Henry and the American Republic is a must-read for anyone interested in American history. It is a well-written and informative book that offers a fresh perspective on one of the most important figures in American history.

Further Reading

- Patrick Henry on History.com
- Patrick Henry on the Mount Vernon website
- Patrick Henry's 'Liberty or Death' Speech on the Library of Congress website

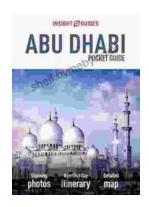


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