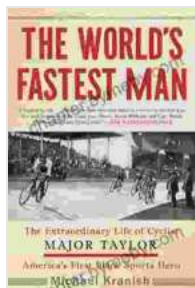


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Major Taylor was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1878. He was the son of former slaves, and his family was very poor. Taylor began working at a young age, and he often raced bicycles for fun. In 1896, he won his first bicycle race, and he soon became one of the top cyclists in the country.

In 1899, Taylor won the world championship in the 1-mile sprint. He was the first African American to win a world championship in any sport, and his victory helped to break down racial barriers in sports. Taylor went on to win several more world championships, and he became one of the most famous athletes in the world.

Taylor's career was not without its challenges. He faced racism and discrimination throughout his life, but he never gave up. He was a determined and resilient man, and he used his success to help others. Taylor was a role model for African Americans, and he helped to pave the way for future generations of athletes.

Taylor retired from cycling in 1910, but he remained active in sports for the rest of his life. He became a boxing promoter, and he also worked as a coach and mentor for young athletes. Taylor died in 1932, but his legacy continues to live on.

Major Taylor was a pioneer and a trailblazer. He was a great athlete, but he was also a great man. He overcame adversity and prejudice, and he used his success to help others. Taylor is an inspiration to us all, and his story is one that should never be forgotten.

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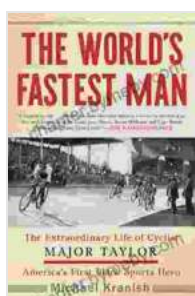
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The Extraordinary Life of Major Taylor is the definitive biography of one of the most important and influential figures in American sports history. This book tells the full story of Taylor's life, from his humble beginnings in Indianapolis to his rise to fame as a world-renowned cyclist.

The Extraordinary Life of Major Taylor is a must-read for anyone interested in sports history, African American history, or American history. This book is a testament to the power of determination and resilience, and it is an inspiration to us all.



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