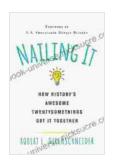
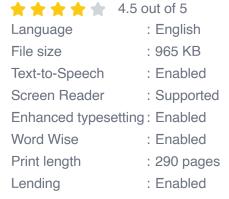
# **How History's Awesome Twentysomethings Got It Together**

In their twenties, these young people made history by making a difference in the world. Learn how they did it and what you can learn from their stories.



### Nailing It: How History's Awesome Twentysomethings

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#### 1. Alexander the Great

Alexander the Great was born in 356 BC in Pella, Greece. He was the son of King Philip II of Macedon and Queen Olympias. Alexander was a brilliant military strategist and leader. By the age of 20, he had already become king of Macedon. Over the next 13 years, he conquered a vast empire that stretched from Greece to India.

Alexander's success was due to a number of factors. First, he was a brilliant military strategist. He developed new tactics and strategies that

allowed him to defeat much larger armies. Second, he was a gifted leader. He inspired his troops to fight for him, even when the odds were against them. Third, Alexander was lucky. He was born into a time of great opportunity. The Persian Empire was weak and divided, which allowed Alexander to conquer it with relative ease.

Alexander's legacy is immense. He is considered one of the greatest military commanders in history. His conquests helped to spread Greek culture and ideas throughout the world. Alexander's empire also laid the foundation for the Roman Empire, which would later become one of the most powerful empires in history.

#### 2. Joan of Arc

Joan of Arc was born in 1412 in Domrémy, France. She was the daughter of a peasant farmer. Joan was a devout Catholic and believed that she had been chosen by God to lead the French army to victory against the English. In 1429, she convinced the Dauphin of France to give her command of the army. Joan led the French army to a number of victories, including the Battle of Orléans. However, she was eventually captured by the English and burned at the stake as a heretic.

Joan of Arc was a remarkable young woman. She was brave, courageous, and selfless. She inspired the French people to fight for their freedom and helped to turn the tide of the Hundred Years' War. Joan of Arc is a national hero in France and her story continues to inspire people all over the world.

#### 3. Marie Curie

Marie Curie was born in 1867 in Warsaw, Poland. She was the daughter of a physics teacher. Marie was a brilliant student and she excelled in math and science. In 1891, she moved to Paris to study at the Sorbonne. In 1895, she married Pierre Curie, a fellow physicist. Together, they discovered radium and polonium. Marie Curie was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize and the only person to win Nobel Prizes in two different scientific fields.

Marie Curie was a pioneer in the field of radioactivity. Her work has had a profound impact on our understanding of the atom and the universe. She is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time.

#### 4. Albert Einstein

Albert Einstein was born in 1879 in Ulm, Germany. He was the son of a featherbed salesman. Einstein was a brilliant student, but he did not do well in school. He was often bored and uninspired by his teachers. In 1895, he dropped out of high school and moved to Zurich, Switzerland. In 1905, Einstein published his theory of special relativity. This theory revolutionized our understanding of space and time. In 1915, he published his theory of general relativity. This theory is one of the most important scientific theories of all time.

Einstein was a brilliant physicist and one of the greatest minds of all time. His work has had a profound impact on our understanding of the universe. He is considered one of the greatest scientists of all time.

#### 5. Rosa Parks

Rosa Parks was born in 1913 in Tuskegee, Alabama. She was the daughter of a carpenter and a schoolteacher. Rosa Parks was a civil rights activist. In 1955, she refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man. This act of defiance helped to spark the Montgomery bus boycott, which led

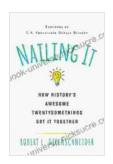
to the desegregation of buses in Montgomery, Alabama. Rosa Parks is considered one of the most important figures in the civil rights movement.

Rosa Parks was a brave and courageous woman. She stood up for what she believed in, even when it was unpopular. Her act of defiance helped to change the course of history.

These are just a few of the many young people who have made a difference in the world. They were all brilliant, talented, and driven. They were also willing to take risks and to stand up for what they believed in. Their stories are inspiring and they remind us that anything is possible if we set our minds to it.

If you are a twentysomething, you have the potential to make a difference in the world. You have the energy, the passion, and the idealism to change the world. Don't be afraid to dream big and to take risks. The world needs your voice and your leadership.

Go out there and make history.



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