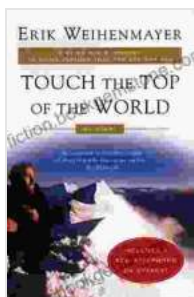


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Early Life and Climbing Career

Weihenmayer was born in 1968 in Ridgewood, New Jersey. He was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa at the age of three. The disease

gradually robbed him of his vision, and by the time he was 13, he was legally blind.

Despite his blindness, Weihenmayer was always an adventurous child. He loved to climb trees and explore the outdoors. When he was 15, he went on his first climbing trip with the Boy Scouts. He quickly fell in love with the sport and began climbing regularly.

In 1995, Weihenmayer made his first attempt to climb Mount Everest. He was unsuccessful, but he didn't give up. He returned to Everest in 2001 and made it to the summit. He was the first blind person to climb the world's highest mountain.

Since then, Weihenmayer has climbed some of the world's tallest mountains, including Mount Kilimanjaro, Mount Denali, and Mount Vinson. He has also climbed the Seven Summits, the highest mountains on each of the seven continents.

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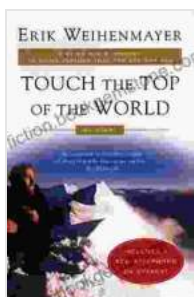
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In addition to his climbing achievements, Weihenmayer is also a motivational speaker and author. He has written two books about his experiences, "No Barriers: A Blind Man's Journey to Climb the World's Highest Mountains" and "The Adversity Advantage: Turning Obstacles into Opportunities."

Weihenmayer's story is a reminder that we all have the potential to overcome challenges and achieve our dreams. He is an inspiration to us all.

Additional Resources

- Erik Weihenmayer's website
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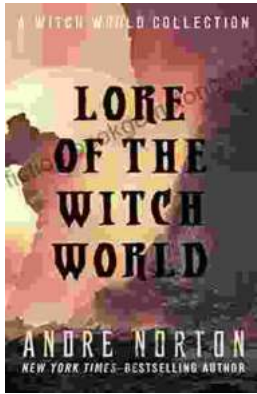
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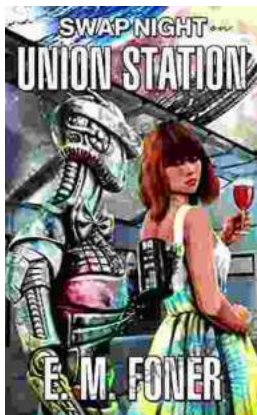
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