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Katherine Johnson was an African American mathematician who helped NASA put the first man on the moon. She was a brilliant mathematician who overcame many obstacles to achieve her dreams. This book tells the story of her life and her amazing accomplishments.

Early Life

Katherine Johnson was born in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, in 1918. She was the youngest of four children. Her parents were sharecroppers, and they worked hard to provide for their family. Katherine was a bright child, and she loved to learn. She started school at the age of five, and she quickly excelled in her studies.

Katherine's parents encouraged her to pursue her education. They knew that she was a gifted child, and they wanted her to have the best possible opportunities. Katherine attended West Virginia State College, where she studied mathematics and physics. She graduated in 1937, and she was the only woman in her class to earn a degree in mathematics.

Career at NASA

After graduating from college, Katherine Johnson got a job as a teacher. She taught for several years, but she always dreamed of working in the field of mathematics. In 1953, she got a job at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA), which later became NASA. NACA was responsible for developing the technology that would put the first man on the moon.

Katherine Johnson worked as a mathematician at NASA for 33 years. She made significant contributions to the space program. She calculated the trajectory for the first American astronaut to orbit the Earth. She also calculated the trajectory for the Apollo 11 mission, which put the first man on the moon.

Legacy

Katherine Johnson was a pioneer in the field of mathematics. She was one of the first African American women to work as a mathematician at NASA. She made significant contributions to the space program, and her work helped to put the first man on the moon.

Katherine Johnson's legacy is one of inspiration and achievement. She showed the world that anything is possible if you work hard and never give up on your dreams. She is an inspiration to all young people, especially those who are interested in STEM.

Awards and Honors

- * Presidential Medal of Freedom (2015) * Congressional Gold Medal (2019)
- * NASA Group Achievement Award (1969) * NASA Exceptional Achievement Medal (1970) * West Virginia State College Distinguished Alumnus Award (1976) * National Women's Hall of Fame (1994) * National Aviation Hall of Fame (2016)

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Who Is The Great Katherine Johnson? is an inspiring book that tells the story of an amazing woman who made significant contributions to the space program. This book is perfect for young readers who are interested in STEM and history.



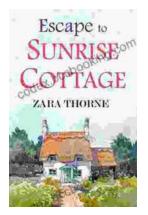
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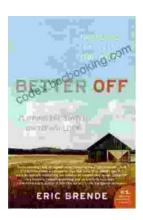
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