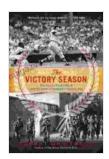
# The End of World War II and the Birth of Baseball's Golden Age

The end of World War II marked a new beginning for baseball. The game had been suspended during the war, but it returned with a vengeance in 1946. The post-war years were a time of great prosperity for the United States, and baseball reflected that prosperity. New stadiums were built, attendance records were broken, and some of the greatest players in history took the field.



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One of the most significant events of the post-war era was the breaking of the color barrier by Jackie Robinson. Robinson joined the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947, and his presence on the field helped to change the face of baseball. Robinson was a talented player, and he quickly became one of the best players in the league. His success helped to pave the way for other African-American players to enter the major leagues.

In addition to the breaking of the color barrier, the post-war years also saw the rise of some of the greatest players in baseball history. Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig had retired before the war, but players like Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams, and Stan Musial took their place as the stars of the game. These players were all incredibly talented, and they helped to make the post-war years one of the most exciting eras in baseball history.

The post-war years were also a time of great innovation in baseball. New stadiums were built, and some of the most iconic ballparks in the country were opened. The Dodgers moved into their new home in Brooklyn, Ebbets Field, in 1958. The Giants moved into their new stadium in San Francisco, Candlestick Park, in 1960. And the Braves moved into their new stadium in Atlanta, Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium, in 1966.

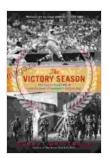
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#### **Timeline of the Golden Age of Baseball**

\* 1946: Major League Baseball resumes after a three-year hiatus due to World War II. \* 1947: Jackie Robinson breaks the color barrier by joining the Brooklyn Dodgers. \* 1948: The Cleveland Indians win the World Series, their first championship in 28 years. \* 1949: The New York Yankees win the World Series, their first of five consecutive championships. \* 1950: The Philadelphia Phillies win the World Series, their first championship in 35 years. \* 1951: The New York Giants win the World Series, their first championship in 10 years. \* 1952: The Brooklyn Dodgers win the World Series, their first championship in 21 years. \* 1953: The New York Yankees

win the World Series, their second of three consecutive championships. \* 1954: The New York Giants win the World Series, their second of four consecutive championships. \* 1955: The Brooklyn Dodgers win the World Series, their second of three consecutive championships. \* 1956: The New York Yankees win the World Series, their third of four consecutive championships. \* 1957: The Milwaukee Braves win the World Series, their first championship in 13 years. \* 1958: The New York Yankees win the World Series, their fourth of five consecutive championships. \* 1959: The Los Angeles Dodgers win the World Series, their third championship in six years. \* 1960: The Pittsburgh Pirates win the World Series, their first championship in 33 years. \* 1961: The New York Yankees win the World Series, their fifth of six consecutive championships. \* 1962: The San Francisco Giants win the World Series, their first championship in 16 years. \* 1963: The Los Angeles Dodgers win the World Series, their fourth championship in eight years. \* 1964: The St. Louis Cardinals win the World Series, their first championship in 18 years. \* 1965: The Los Angeles Dodgers win the World Series, their fifth championship in nine years. \* 1966: The Baltimore Orioles win the World Series, their first championship in history. \* 1967: The St. Louis Cardinals win the World Series, their second championship in three years. \* 1968: The Detroit Tigers win the World Series, their first championship in 23 years. \* 1969: The New York Mets win the World Series, their first championship in history.

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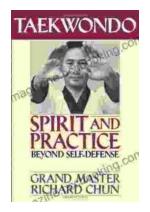


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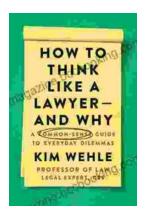
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