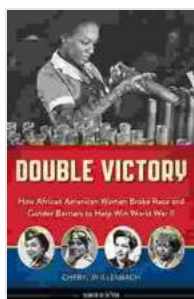


# How African American Women Broke Race and Gender Barriers to Help Win World War II

During World War II, African American women played a vital role in the war effort, breaking down barriers of race and gender. They served in the military, worked in factories, and volunteered in their communities. Their contributions helped the United States win the war and paved the way for future generations of women.



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## Breaking Down Barriers

African American women faced many barriers during World War II. They were discriminated against in the military, in the workforce, and in society as a whole. But they refused to be deterred. They fought for their right to serve their country and to make a difference in the war effort.

In 1941, the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) was created to allow women to serve in the military. African American women were initially excluded from the WAAC, but they eventually gained admission. They served in a variety of roles, including cooks, drivers, clerks, and nurses.

African American women also worked in factories during the war. They worked long hours in dangerous conditions, but they were proud to contribute to the war effort. They produced everything from airplanes to ammunition.

In addition to their work in the military and the workforce, African American women also volunteered in their communities. They raised money for the war effort, organized blood drives, and cared for the wounded.

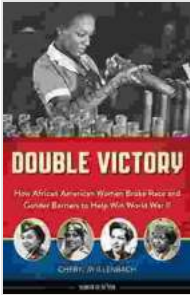
## **Making a Difference**

The contributions of African American women to the war effort were significant. They helped the United States win the war and they paved the way for future generations of women.

After the war, African American women continued to fight for their rights. They fought for the right to vote, the right to education, and the right to equal opportunity. Their perjuangan helped to create a more just and equitable society for all Americans.

The story of African American women during World War II is a story of courage, determination, and perseverance. They faced discrimination and prejudice, but they refused to be deterred. They fought for their right to serve their country and to make a difference in the world. Their

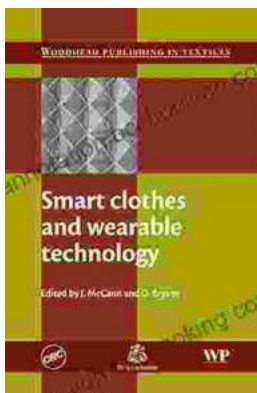
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