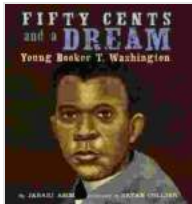


Young Booker Washington: The Boy Who Would Lead a Nation



Fifty Cents and a Dream: Young Booker T. Washington

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Booker T. Washington was born into slavery in 1856. He went on to become one of the most influential African Americans in history. This book tells the story of his early life, from his birth to his teenage years. It is a story of struggle, determination, and triumph.

Washington was born on a plantation in Virginia. His father was a white man and his mother was a slave. Washington never knew his father, and he was raised by his mother and stepfather. Washington's stepfather was a cruel man who often beat him. Despite the abuse, Washington was a bright and ambitious child. He learned to read and write at a young age, and he dreamed of one day becoming a free man.

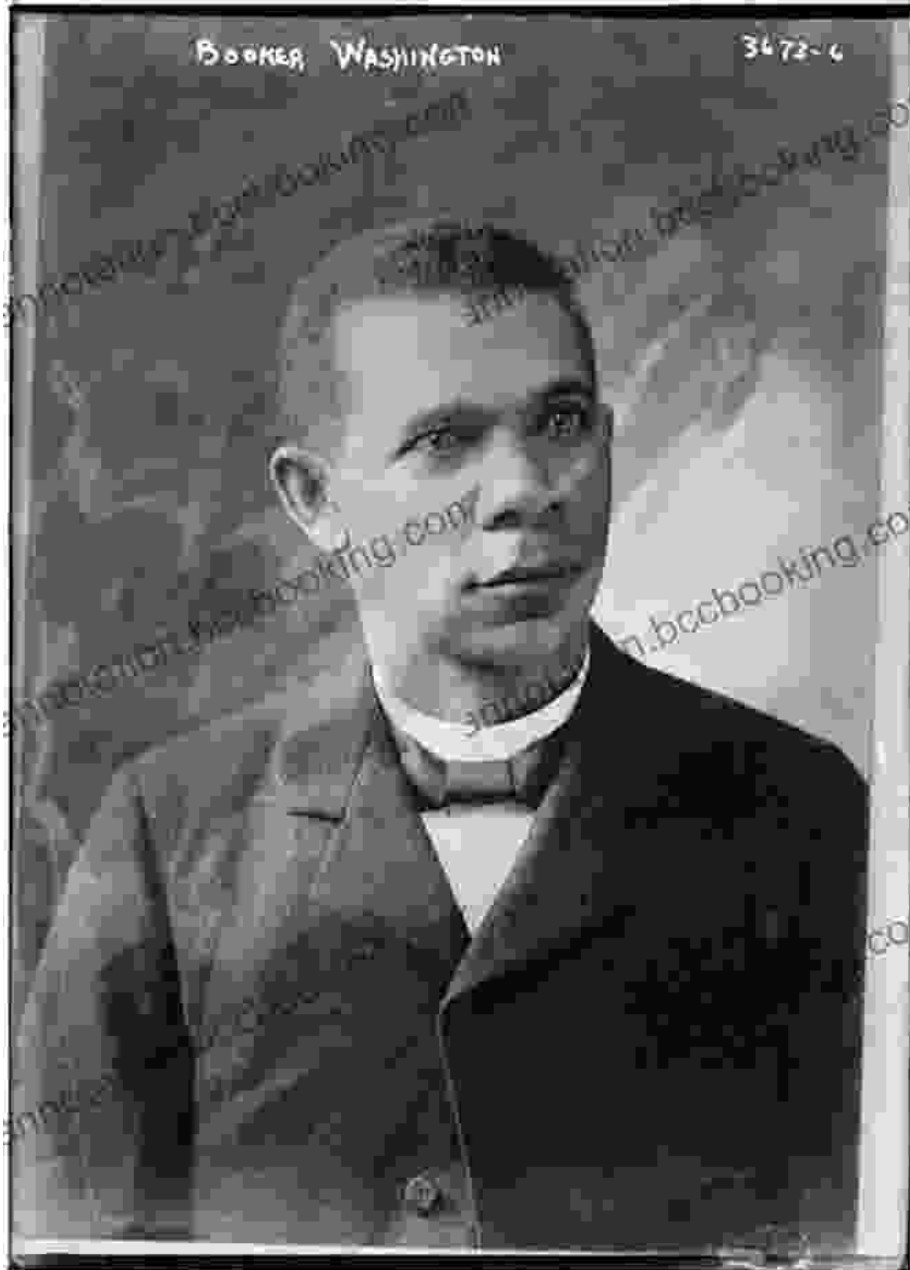
In 1865, the Civil War ended and slavery was abolished. Washington was finally free, but he was still facing many challenges. He had no education and no job. He decided to travel to Hampton Institute, a school for African Americans in Virginia. Washington worked hard at Hampton Institute, and

he quickly became one of the top students. He graduated in 1875, and he was hired to teach at the school.

In 1881, Washington was asked to become the principal of Tuskegee Institute, a school for African Americans in Alabama. Washington accepted the job, and he spent the rest of his life working to make Tuskegee one of the best schools in the country. Washington believed that education was the key to success for African Americans. He taught his students to be self-reliant and to work hard. He also encouraged them to be involved in their communities.

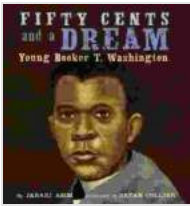
Washington was a successful educator and leader. He helped to improve the lives of millions of African Americans. He was also a strong advocate for civil rights. He spoke out against segregation and discrimination. Washington died in 1915, but his legacy continues to live on. He is remembered as one of the most important figures in African American history.

Booker T. Washington was a remarkable man. He overcame great obstacles to become one of the most influential African Americans in history. His story is an inspiration to us all. It shows us that anything is possible if we have the courage to dream and the determination to work hard.



Further Reading

- Booker T. Washington National Monument
- Tuskegee University
- Booker T. Washington



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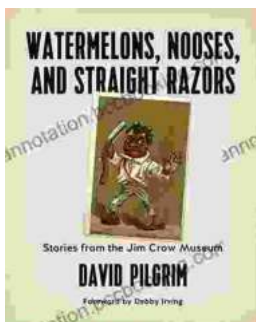
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