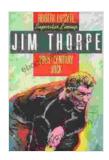
# Jim Thorpe: The 20th Century Jock Superstar Lineup

Jim Thorpe was one of the most versatile and accomplished athletes of the 20th century. He excelled in a wide range of sports, including football, baseball, basketball, and track and field. Thorpe was also a skilled Native American orator and advocate for Native American rights.



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Thorpe was born in 1888 in the Indian Territory of Oklahoma. He was a member of the Sac and Fox Nation. Thorpe's athletic talents were evident from a young age. He was a standout football player in high school and college. In 1912, Thorpe led the Carlisle Indian Industrial School football team to a perfect 13-0 record and the national championship.

After graduating from Carlisle, Thorpe played professional football for the Canton Bulldogs and the New York Giants. He was one of the most dominant players in the early days of the sport. Thorpe also played

professional baseball for the New York Giants and the Boston Braves. He was a skilled hitter and fielder, and he helped the Giants win the World Series in 1917.

In addition to his football and baseball careers, Thorpe was also an accomplished track and field athlete. He won the decathlon and pentathlon at the 1912 Summer Olympics in Stockholm, Sweden. Thorpe's Olympic victories made him a national hero. However, his Olympic medals were later stripped from him after it was discovered that he had played professional baseball before the Olympics, which was against the rules at the time.

Thorpe's athletic career was cut short by injuries. He retired from professional football in 1928 and from professional baseball in 1930. After his retirement, Thorpe worked as a coach and a scout. He also appeared in several movies.

Thorpe died in 1953 at the age of 65. He was posthumously reinstated as the winner of the 1912 Olympic decathlon and pentathlon in 1983. Thorpe is considered one of the greatest athletes of all time. He is a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame, the College Football Hall of Fame, the Baseball Hall of Fame, and the Olympic Hall of Fame.

#### **Interviews with Great Athletes**

This book includes interviews with some of the greatest athletes of all time, who share their thoughts on Thorpe's legacy.

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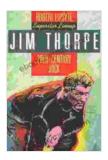
true American hero."

- Babe Ruth: "Jim Thorpe was the best baseball player I ever saw. He could hit, field, and run. He was the complete package. He was also a great teammate and a great leader."
- Red Grange: "Jim Thorpe was the greatest football player I ever saw. He was fast, strong, and elusive. He could do it all. He was the prototype for the modern running back."
- Jesse Owens: "Jim Thorpe was my idol. He was the greatest track and field athlete of all time. He won the decathlon and pentathlon at the 1912 Olympics, and he set world records in both events. He was an inspiration to me and to all athletes."

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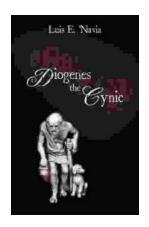
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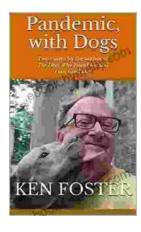
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