# Opposite Mandela Encounters With South Africa Icon



#### **Opposite Mandela: Encounters with South Africa's Icon**

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Nelson Mandela's encounters with South Africa's apartheid regime were complex and often fraught with danger. Here are some of the most significant encounters between Mandela and the apartheid regime.

#### **Treason Trial**

In 1956, Mandela was arrested and charged with treason along with 155 other activists. The trial lasted for four years and ended with the acquittal of all the defendants. However, the trial had a profound impact on Mandela, who was subjected to intense scrutiny and harassment by the apartheid regime.

#### **Rivonia Trial**

In 1963, Mandela was arrested again and charged with sabotage and conspiracy to overthrow the government. The trial was held in the Rivonia Trial, which lasted for nine months and ended with the conviction of Mandela and seven other defendants. Mandela was sentenced to life imprisonment and sent to Robben Island.

#### Robben Island

Mandela spent 27 years in prison on Robben Island. During this time, he was subjected to harsh conditions and was often denied basic human rights. However, Mandela refused to give up hope and continued to fight for the end of apartheid.

#### **Release from Prison**

In 1990, Mandela was finally released from prison after spending 27 years in jail. His release was a major turning point in the history of South Africa and marked the beginning of the end of apartheid.

#### **Truth and Reconciliation Commission**

After his release from prison, Mandela was appointed to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which was established to investigate human rights abuses that occurred during apartheid. Mandela played a key role in the commission's work and helped to promote reconciliation between the victims and perpetrators of apartheid.

### Legacy

Nelson Mandela is one of the most iconic figures in South African history. His lifelong struggle against apartheid and his commitment to reconciliation have made him an inspiration to people all over the world. Mandela's legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.

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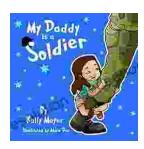
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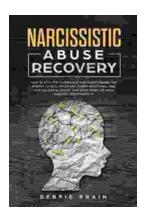
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