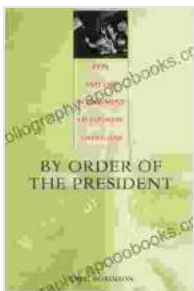


# FDR and the Internment of Japanese Americans: A Comprehensive Exploration of a Troubling Chapter in History

The internment of Japanese Americans during World War II is a dark chapter in American history. Over 120,000 people of Japanese descent were forcibly removed from their homes and incarcerated in concentration camps. The vast majority of these internees were American citizens.



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The internment was a complex event with many contributing factors. In this book, we will explore the historical context of the internment, the role of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, and the impact of the internment on Japanese Americans.

## Historical Context

The internment of Japanese Americans cannot be understood without considering the historical context of the time. The United States was at war with Japan, and there was widespread fear of espionage and sabotage. Additionally, Japanese Americans were often seen as outsiders, and there was a long history of discrimination against them in the United States.

In the years leading up to World War II, the U.S. government had already taken steps to limit the rights of Japanese Americans. In 1940, the government passed the Alien Enemy Act, which allowed the government to detain any person who was not a U.S. citizen if they were from a country with which the United States was at war.

After the attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, the government began to round up Japanese Americans. The first internment camp was established in Manzanar, California, in March 1942. By the end of the war, there were ten internment camps scattered across the western United States.

### **The Role of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt**

President Franklin Delano Roosevelt played a key role in the internment of Japanese Americans. He signed Executive Order 9066, which authorized the government to detain Japanese Americans. He also appointed General John L. DeWitt to oversee the internment.

Roosevelt's decision to intern Japanese Americans was based on a number of factors. He was concerned about the threat of espionage and sabotage. He also believed that Japanese Americans were not loyal to the United States.

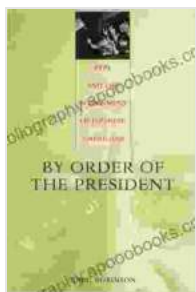
Roosevelt's decision to intern Japanese Americans was a mistake. The vast majority of Japanese Americans were loyal to the United States. The internment was a violation of their civil rights, and it caused them great suffering.

## **The Impact of the Internment on Japanese Americans**

The internment had a devastating impact on Japanese Americans. They were forced to leave their homes and businesses, and they lost everything they owned. They were also subjected to discrimination and abuse.

The internment had a lasting impact on Japanese Americans. Many of them never recovered from the trauma of their experience. The internment also created a legacy of distrust between Japanese Americans and the U.S. government.

The internment of Japanese Americans is a shameful chapter in American history. It was a violation of civil rights, and it caused great suffering. We must never forget this dark chapter in our history, and we must work to ensure that such a thing never happens again.



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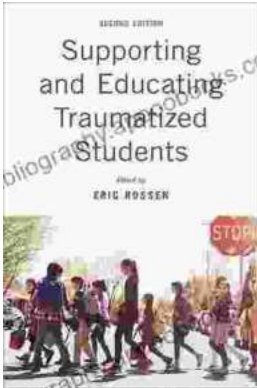
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