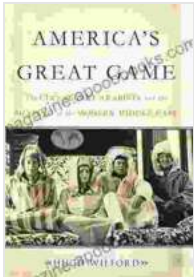


Unveiling America's Global Supremacy: The Great Game



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The Great Game: A History of America's First Global Empire, by John Lewis Gaddis, is a comprehensive and engaging look at the American empire from its origins to the present day. Gaddis argues that the United States has been a global empire from the very beginning, and that its pursuit of power and influence has shaped the course of world history.

Gaddis begins his book by examining the American Revolution. He argues that the Revolution was not simply a war for independence, but also a war for empire. The American colonists wanted to create a new nation that would be free from British rule, but they also wanted to expand their territory and influence. This desire for empire was evident in the Declaration of Independence, which stated that the United States had the right to "acquire and hold" new territories.

After the Revolution, the United States began to expand its territory rapidly. In the early 19th century, the United States acquired the Louisiana Territory from France, the Florida Territory from Spain, and the Oregon Territory from Great Britain. These acquisitions gave the United States control of a vast empire that stretched from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean.

As the United States expanded its territory, it also began to expand its influence abroad. In the 1840s, the United States fought a war with Mexico and annexed the Mexican Cession, which included the present-day states of California, Nevada, Utah, and Arizona. In the 1890s, the United States fought a war with Spain and acquired the Philippines, Puerto Rico, and Guam. These acquisitions gave the United States a global empire that spanned the Pacific Ocean and the Caribbean Sea.

In the 20th century, the United States continued to expand its empire. In the aftermath of World War II, the United States became the dominant power in the world. The United States established military bases around the globe and played a major role in the Cold War. The United States also intervened in the affairs of other countries, such as Vietnam, Cuba, and Nicaragua.

In the 21st century, the United States remains a global empire. The United States has military bases in over 150 countries and is the world's leading economic and military power. The United States also continues to intervene in the affairs of other countries, such as Iraq, Afghanistan, and Libya.

Gaddis argues that the American empire is unique in several ways. First, the American empire is a global empire. The United States has interests and influence in every corner of the world. Second, the American empire is based on power. The United States is the world's leading military and

economic power, and it uses this power to maintain its empire. Third, the American empire is based on ideology. The United States believes that it has a mission to promote democracy and freedom around the world.

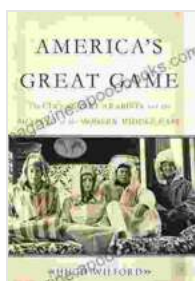
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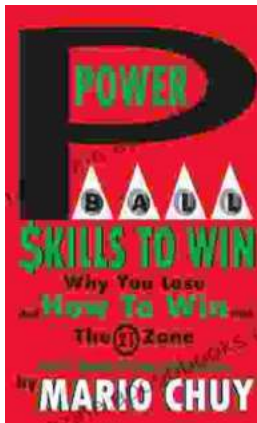


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