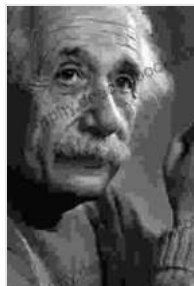


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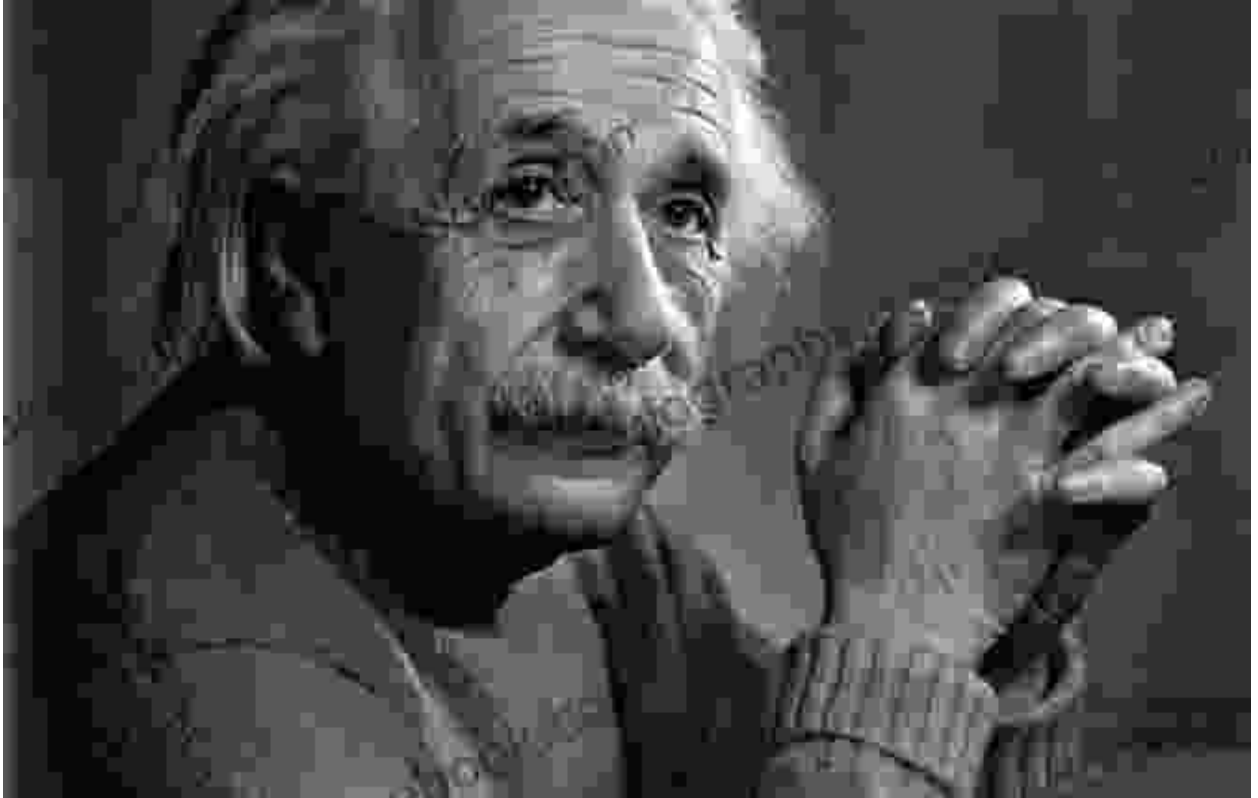
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The 20th century unfolded as a testament to human ingenuity, resilience, and the profound impact of extraordinary individuals. From the scientific breakthroughs that reshaped our understanding of the universe to the social movements that transformed societies, it was an era marked by towering figures who left an indelible mark on the world.

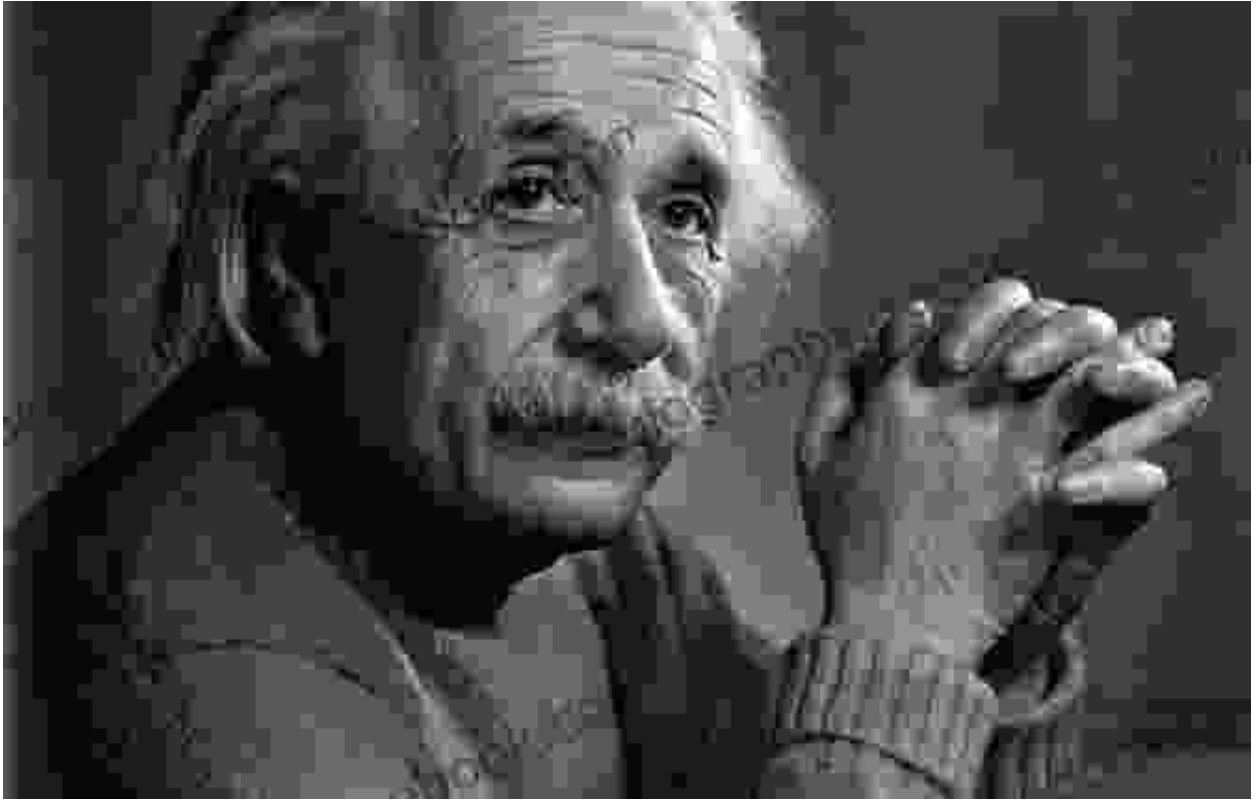
Pioneers of Science and Technology

- **Albert Einstein:** The revolutionary physicist whose theory of relativity shattered our perception of space and time.

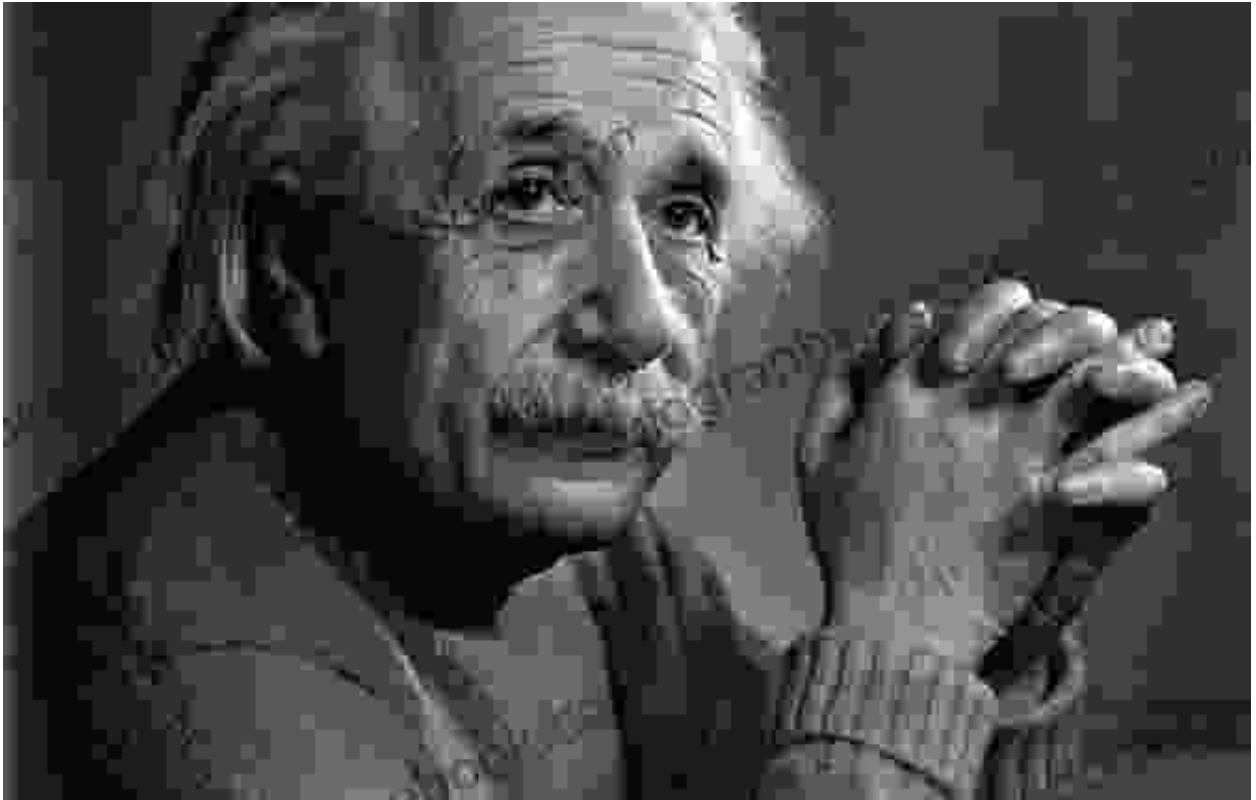


- **Marie Curie:** The trailblazing scientist who conducted pioneering research on radioactivity and discovered two elements, polonium and

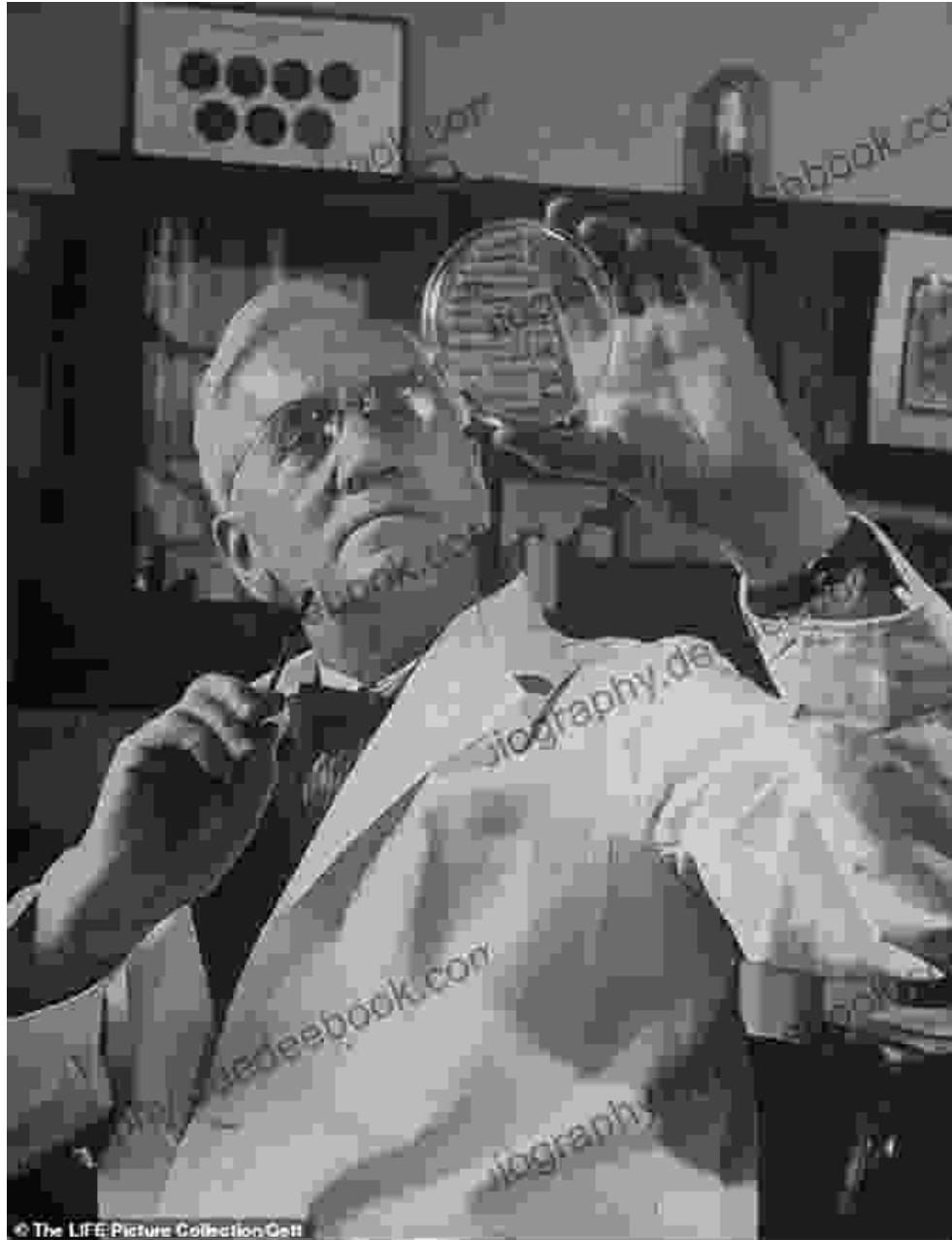
radium.



- **Alan Turing:** The computer scientist and mathematician who laid the foundations for modern computing and artificial intelligence.

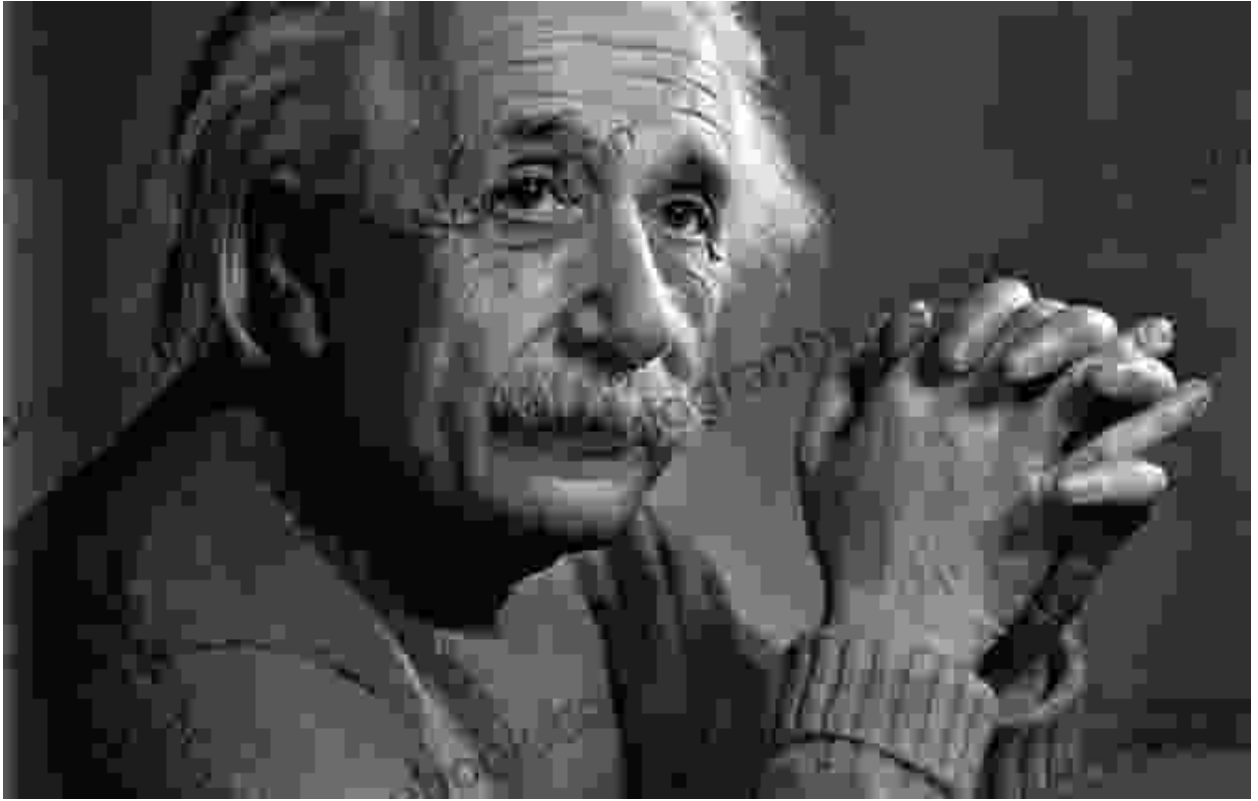


- **Alexander Fleming:** The physician and microbiologist who discovered penicillin, a life-saving antibiotic that has revolutionized medicine.



- **Enrico Fermi:** The Italian physicist who led the team that created the first nuclear reactor and is known as the "architect of the atomic

bomb."



Leaders of Social Change

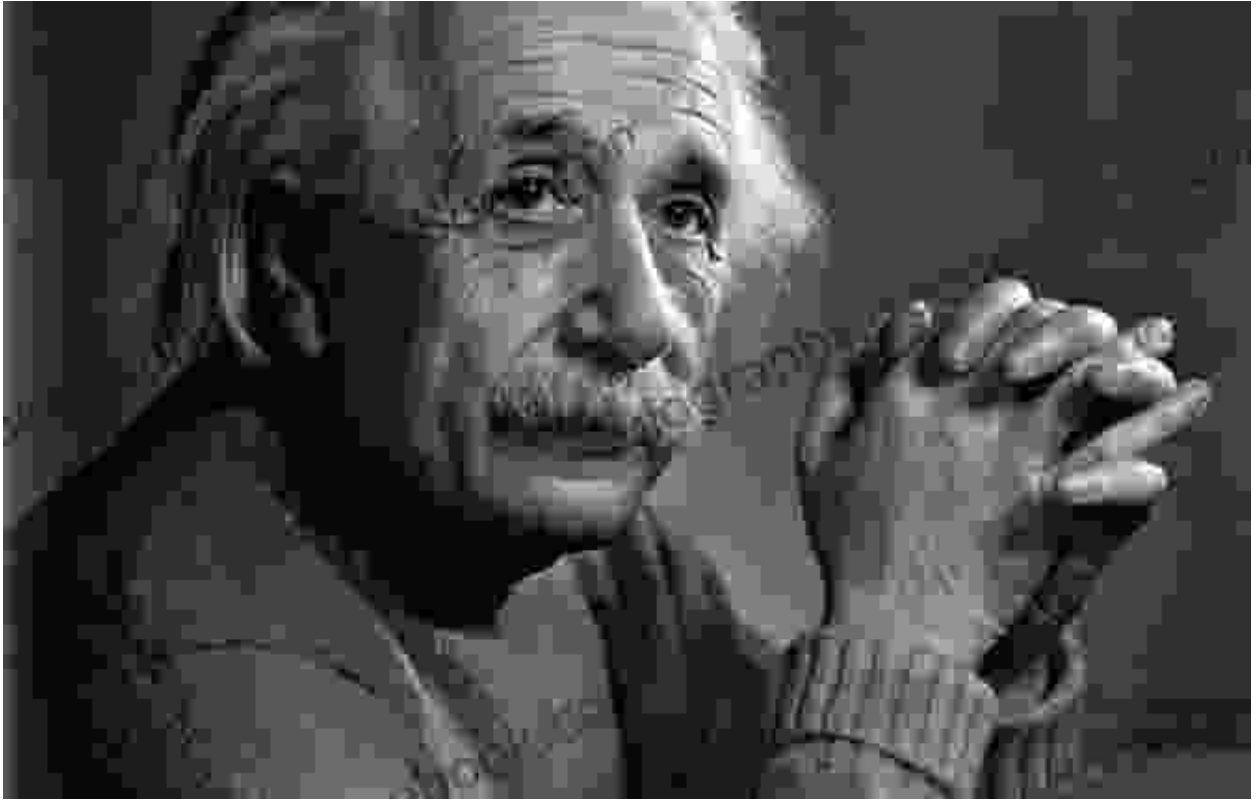
- **Martin Luther King Jr.:** The civil rights leader who advocated for nonviolent resistance and played a key role in advancing the cause of

racial equality in the United States.



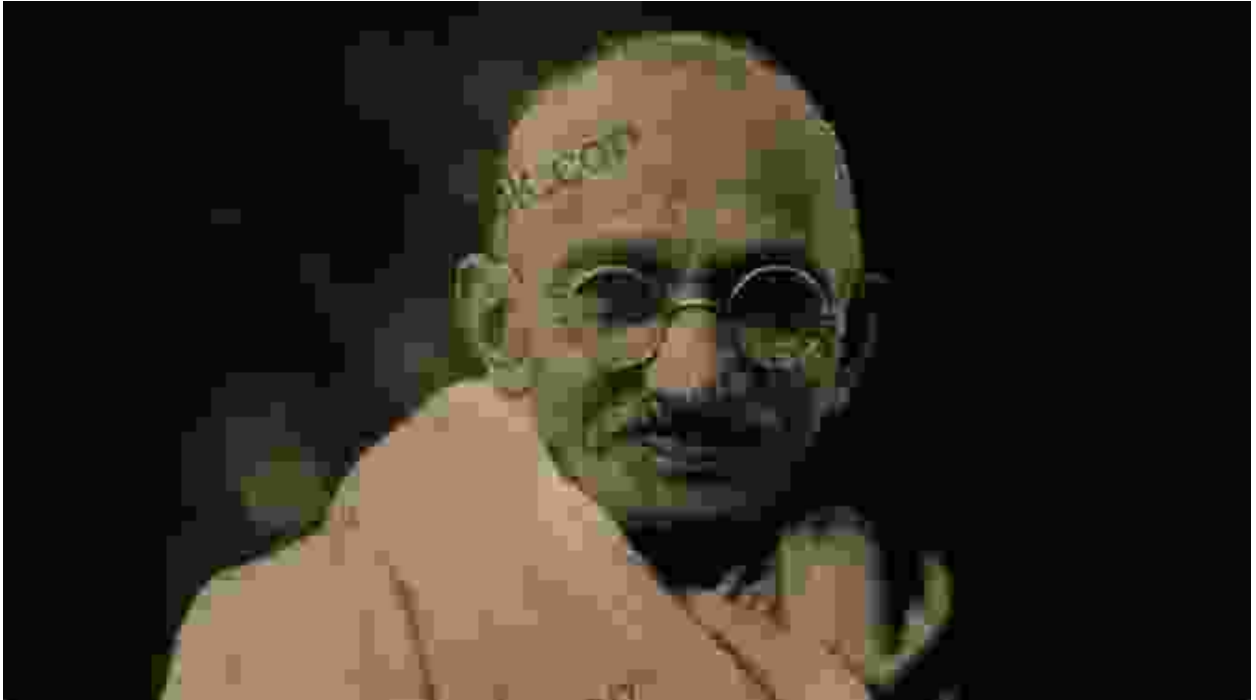
- **Nelson Mandela:** The anti-apartheid activist and President of South Africa who spent 27 years in prison for his opposition to the oppressive regime and became a symbol of the struggle against racial

discrimination.



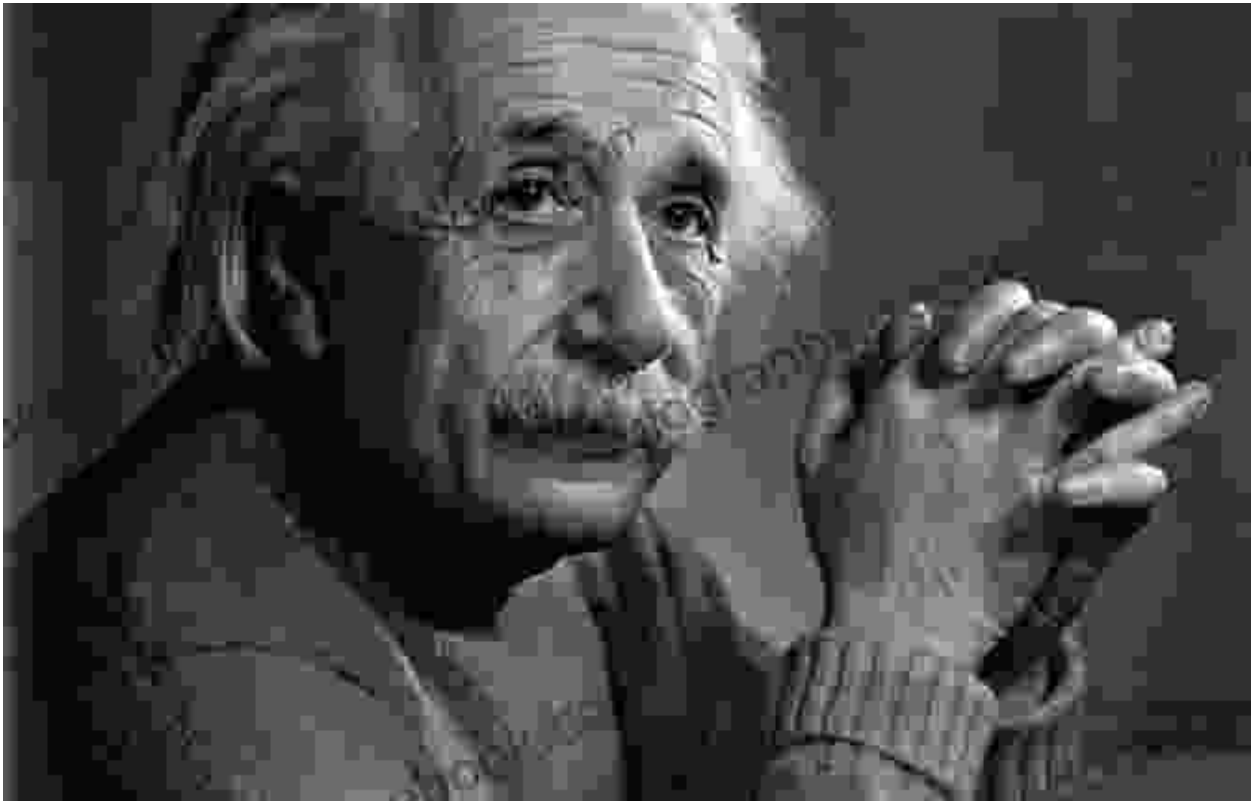
- **Mohandas Gandhi:** The Indian independence leader and advocate of nonviolent resistance whose teachings influenced social movements

around the world.

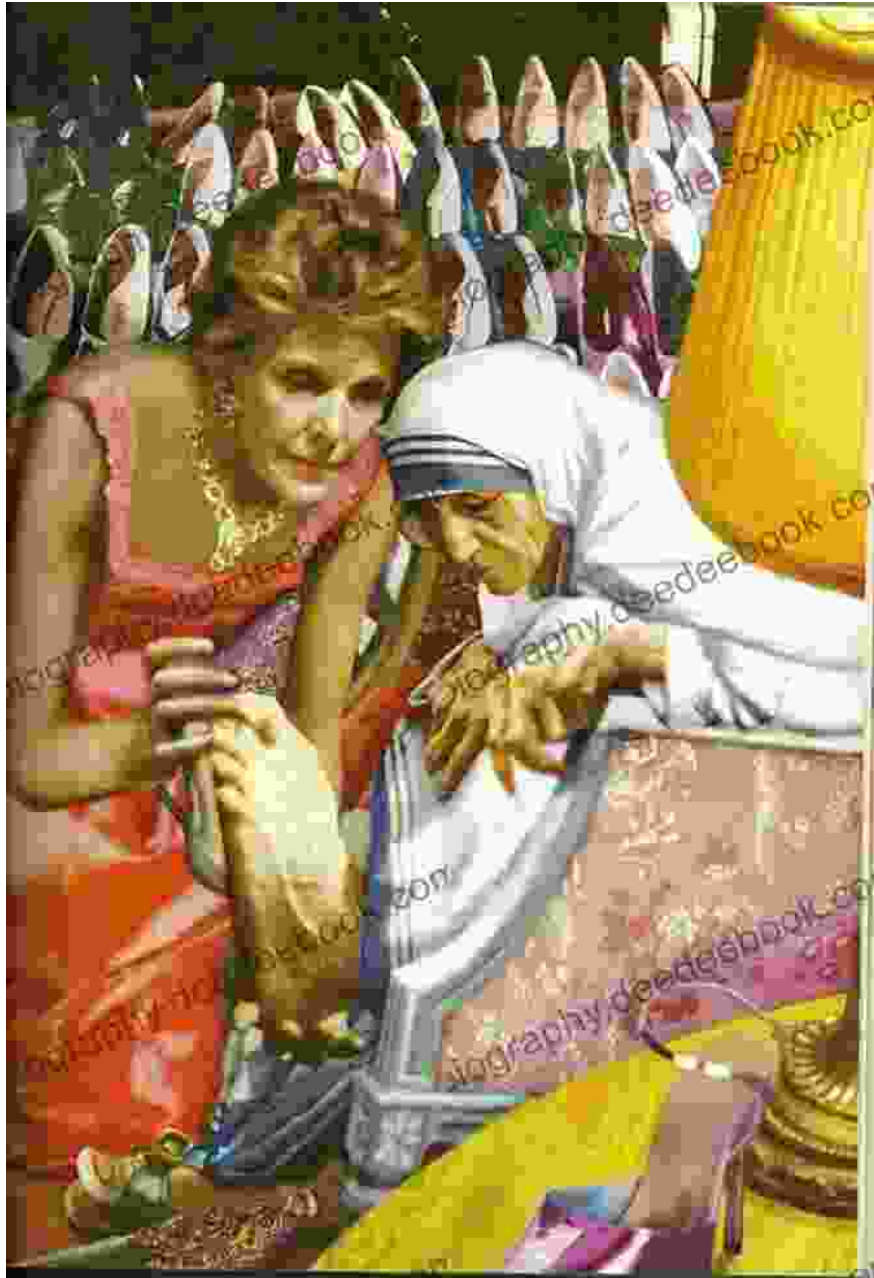


- **Rosa Parks:** The African American civil rights activist whose refusal to give up her seat on a bus in Montgomery, Alabama, sparked the Montgomery bus boycott and became a catalyst for the civil rights

movement.



- **Mother Teresa:** The Catholic nun and missionary who founded the Missionaries of Charity to serve the poor and sick in Calcutta, India.



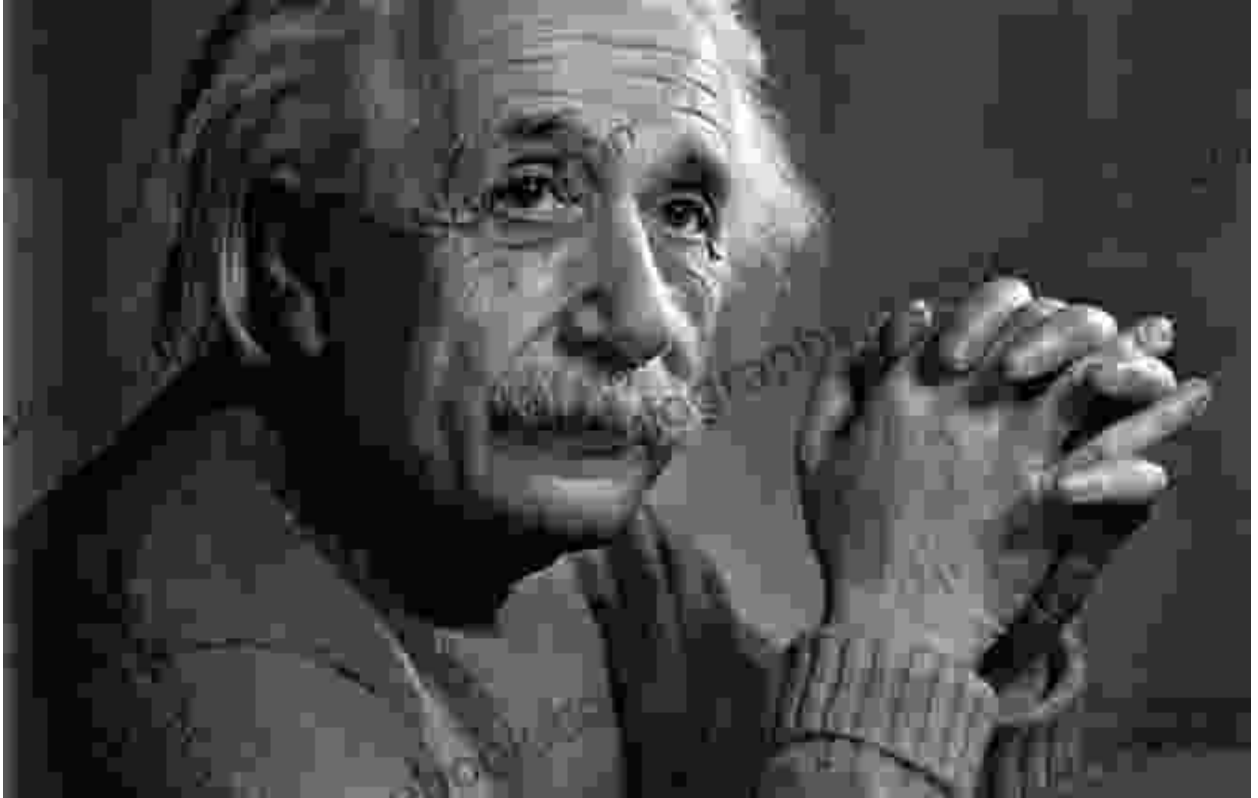
Influential Artists

- **Pablo Picasso:** The Spanish painter and sculptor who co-founded the Cubist movement and is considered one of the most influential artists

of the 20th century.



- **Vincent van Gogh:** The Dutch post-impressionist painter whose bold use of color and expressive brushwork revolutionized modern art.

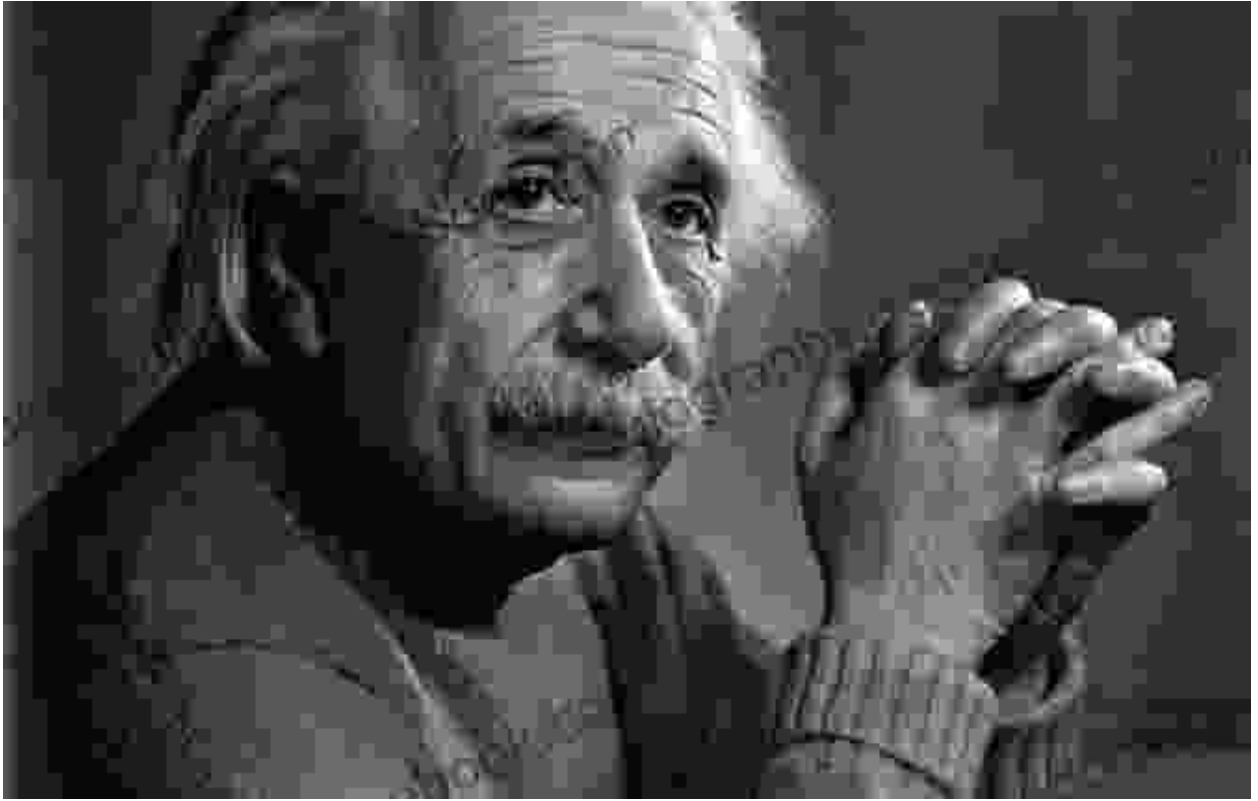


- **Salvador Dalí:** The Spanish surrealist painter and filmmaker who is known for his bizarre and dreamlike imagery.



- **Georgia O'Keeffe:** The American painter who is known for her modernist and abstract paintings, often featuring flowers and other

natural forms.

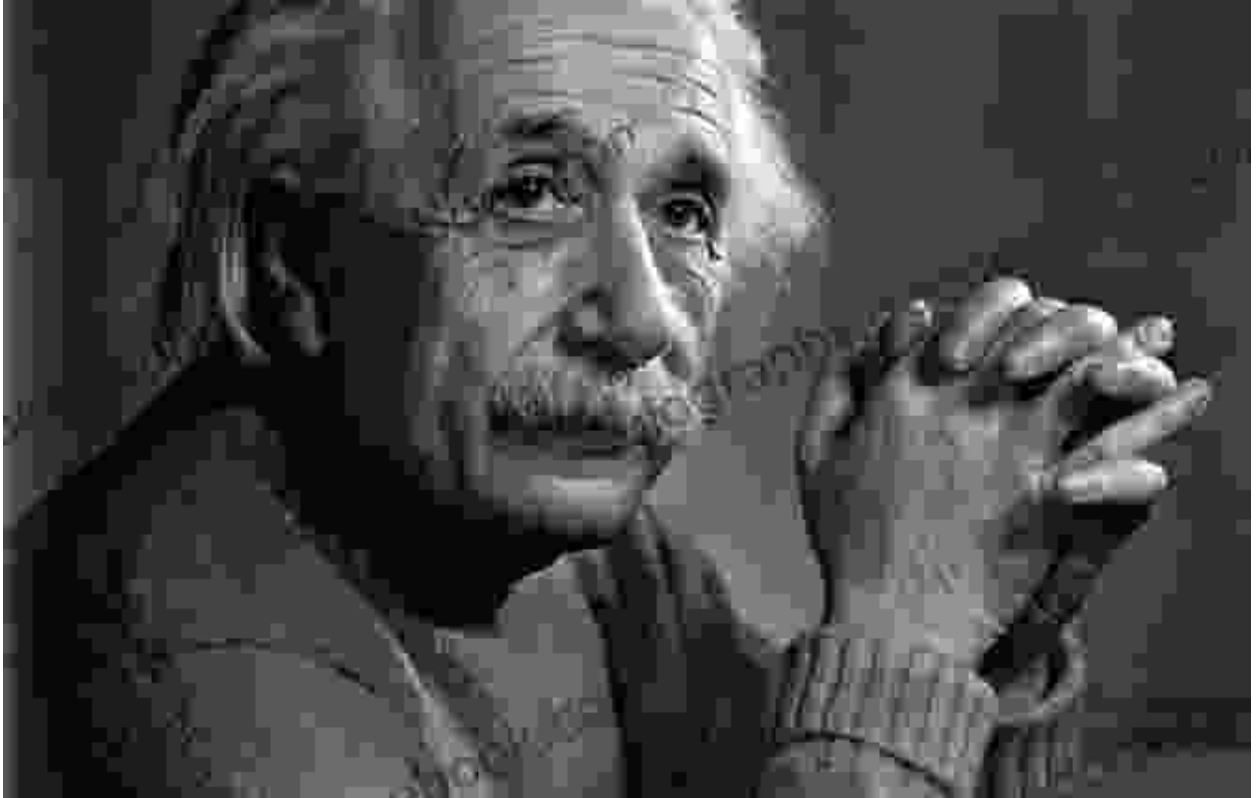


- **Andy Warhol:** The American pop artist who is known for his silkscreen prints of famous images, such as the Campbell's soup can.



Economic and Political Leaders

- **Franklin D. Roosevelt:** The 32nd President of the United States who led the country through the Great Depression and World War II.

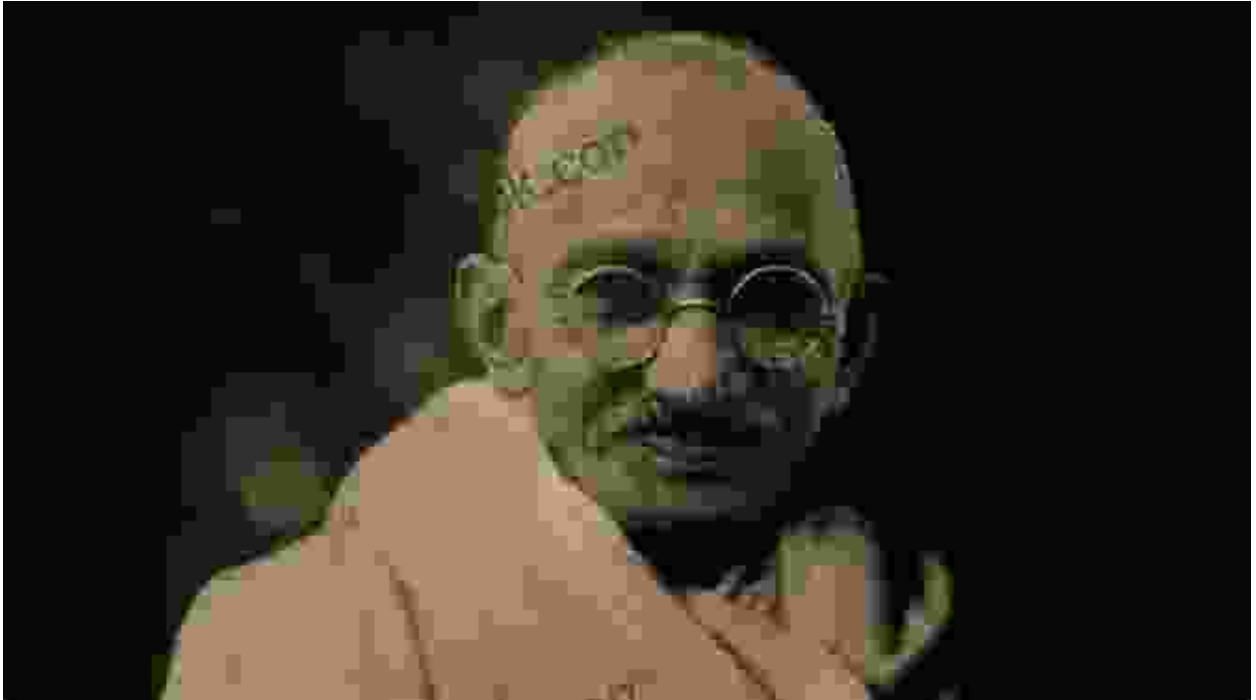


- **Winston Churchill:** The Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during World War II who played a key role in defeating Nazi Germany.



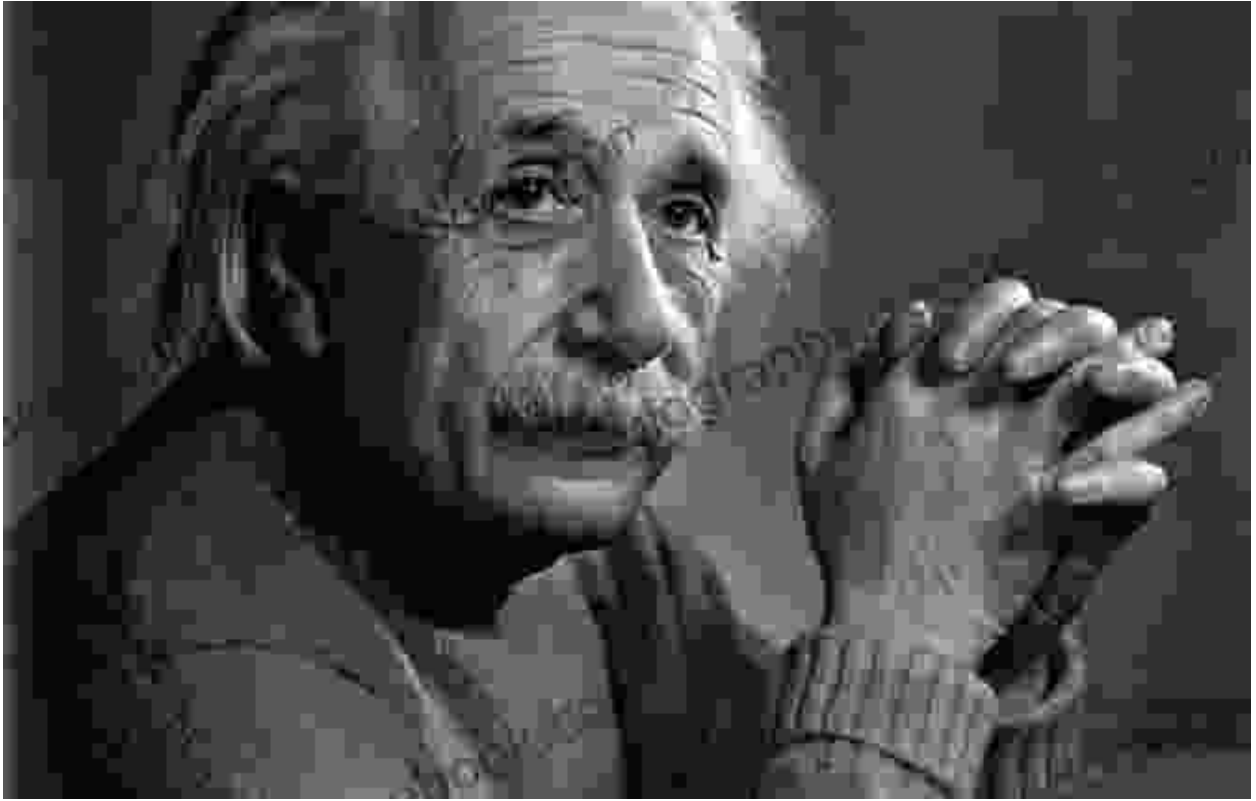
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independence from British rule.



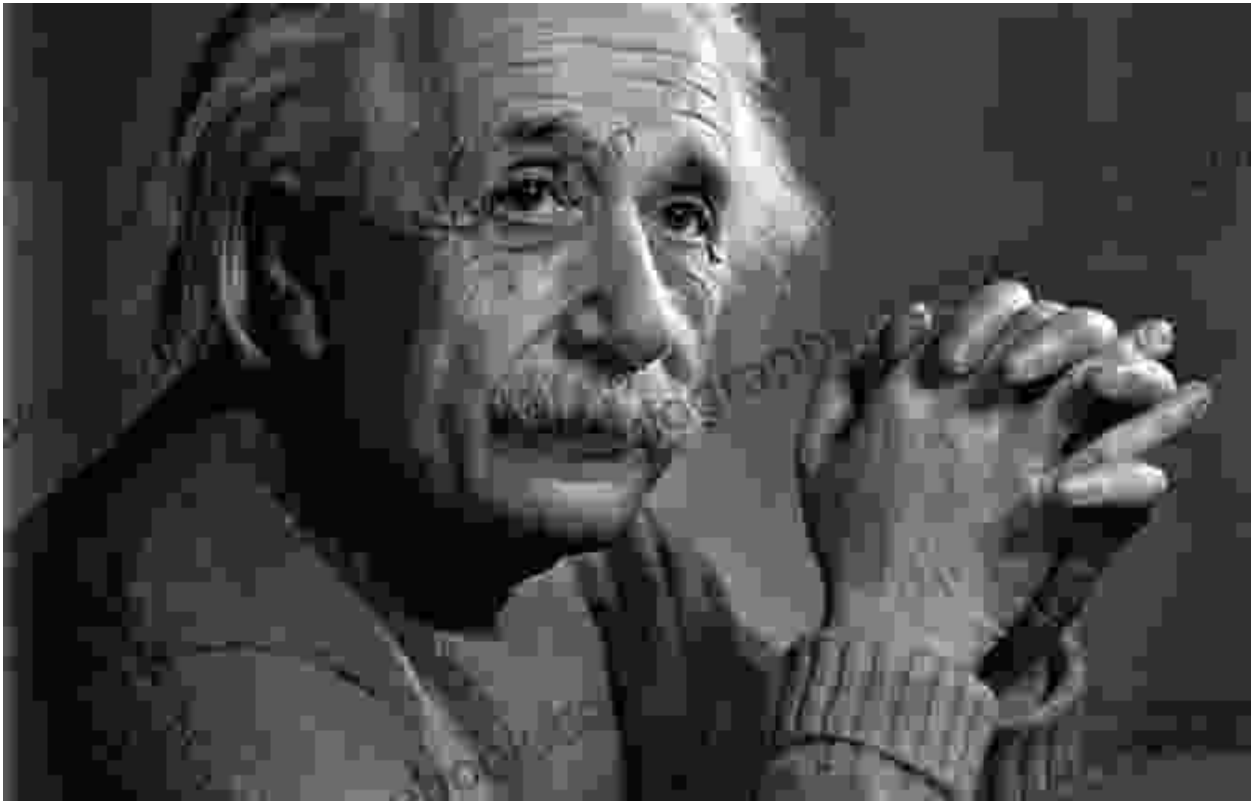
- **Mikhail Gorbachev:** The last General Secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union who introduced reforms that led to the

collapse of the Soviet Union.

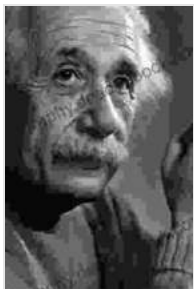


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The 20th century was an era of unprecedented technological advancements, social upheavals, artistic revolutions, and global conflicts. The individuals profiled in this article played pivotal roles in shaping this transformative era and left a lasting legacy that continues to inspire and influence the world today. Their stories offer invaluable insights into the indomitable human spirit, the power of ideas, and the profound impact that individuals can have on the course of history.



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