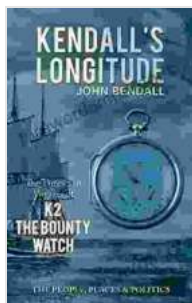


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In the 18th century, determining longitude at sea was one of the greatest scientific problems of the time. Without a reliable way to measure longitude, ships could easily get lost, leading to shipwrecks and the loss of countless lives. For centuries, scientists and navigators had been trying to solve this problem, but no one had been successful.

Enter John Harrison, a self-taught clockmaker from Yorkshire, England. Harrison believed that he could build a clock that would be accurate enough to determine longitude at sea. He spent years working on his clock, and in 1761, he finally completed his masterpiece, the H4.

The H4 was the most accurate clock ever made, and it revolutionized navigation. With the H4, ships could now determine their longitude with unprecedented accuracy, which led to a dramatic decrease in shipwrecks. Harrison's invention saved countless lives and established him as one of the greatest scientific minds of all time.

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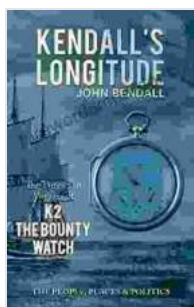
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