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Alexander the Great (24:59) ★★★

Alexander's triumphs over the Persian Empire remain one of history's greatest campaigns of conquest. What inner conflicts drove this great military leader, a former student of Aristotle? Follow the story of a man who ruled the world stage for a brief time, but whose influence was felt years after his death. © 2004 Discovery Channel School

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Conquerors: Peter the Great (24:40) ★★★★★

Peter the Great ripped Russia out of the Middle Ages and refashioned his country into a key player in military affairs by creating strategic political alliances to advance its economic might. Discover how this great Russian monarch's passion and perseverance spawned military victories, modern cities, and a renewed national pride. Produced by Discovery Channel School. © 1997 Discovery Channel School

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Conquerors: Suleyman the Magnificent (24:49) ★★★★★

Barbarian warlord or cultured visionary? This enigmatic sultan lays claim to both legacies. While Suleyman transformed Constantinople into Istanbul, the center of his Ottoman Empire and the largest European city of the time, he granted a surprising amount of autonomy and religious freedom to his conquered subjects. And rather than vanquishing Europe, his main goal was defensive: preventing crusaders from entering his lands. © 2004 Discovery Channel School

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Conquistadors: Hernan Cortes (1:00:00) ★★★★★

In search of gold, 500 Spanish adventurers landed in the Americas in 1519. Hernán Cortés and his conquistadors took control of the Aztec capital of Tenochtitlan. Learn how Aztec prophecies, disease, and a Maya woman played pivotal roles that helped the conquistadors. © 2004 Discovery Channel School

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Discovering History: 20th-Century Biographies: Dictators (30:00) ★★

What compels someone to rule absolutely and oppressively? Examine the lives of some of the 20th century's most prominent dictators, including Fulgencio Batista y Zaldívar, Juan Peron, Francisco Franco, and Josip Broz Tito. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Discovering History: 20th-Century Biographies: WWII Political Leaders (30:00) ★★★

Meet the world leaders responsible for the outbreak and battles of World War II. Segments cover Josef Stalin, Chiang Kai-shek, Charles de Gaulle, Adolf Hitler, Hermann Goering, Hideki Tojo, and Benito Mussolini. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Discovering History: 20th-Century Biographies: Leaders of the Middle East (30:00) ★★

During the 20th century the Middle East emerged as a flashpoint for violence. Explore conflicts and events through profiles of three of the troubled area's most influential leaders—David Ben-Gurion, Gamal Abdel Nasser, and Chaim Weizmann. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Discovering History: 20th-Century Biographies: Sports Legends (30:00) ★★★

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The 20th century was ripe with Olympic heroes and professional sports icons. Explore the careers of sports legends in baseball, boxing, track and field, and swimming. Segments cover Jackie Robinson, Babe Ruth, Joe Louis, Jesse Owens, and Gertrude Ederle. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Discovering History: 20th-Century Biographies: World Statesmen (30:00) ★★

Are great statesmen born or made? Explore the lives and actions of some of the 20th century's most notable politicians. Segments cover David Lloyd George, Neville Chamberlain, Winston Churchill, Mohandas Gandhi, and Ralph Bunche. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Female Pharaohs (56:00) ★★ ★★

From the long list of rulers in ancient Egypt, two commanding women stand out: Hatshepsut and Cleopatra. Though separated by more than a thousand years, these daughters of rulers both set their sights on attaining power. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Great Egyptians: Hatshepsut, The Queen Who Would Be King (51:34) ★★ ★★ ★★

When her son tried to ascend to her dead husband's throne, Queen Hatshepsut did the unthinkable and declared herself king. Learn how she overturned Egyptian tradition to become one of the most powerful and successful pharaohs in history. Then examine how ancient and modern prejudices conspired to withhold the credit due this unstoppable ruler. © 2004 Discovery Channel School

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Freedom Fighters (55:32) ★★ ★★ ★★

This video examines Nelson Mandela's dream of ending apartheid in South Africa, and traces his path from demonstrator to political prisoner to international statesman. "Remembering a Dream" explores what the movements to rename streets after the slain civil rights leader and the resistance sometimes faced say about the state of U.S. race relations in the 21st century. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Holocaust Heroes (55:30) ★★ ★★ ★★

Who Betrayed Anne Frank? (39 Min.)—Uncover the last days of this teenager and her life in the "Secret Annex," and discover who may have disclosed the Frank family to the Nazis. Reunion: Children of La Hille (15 min.)—Join a group of people who survived the Holocaust by hiding in the South of France as they meet again decades later. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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President Kennedy, Civil Rights Address June 15, 1963 (32:56) ★★ ★★ ★★

After violent encounters with nonviolent civil rights protests from people like "Bull" Connor and George Wallace's refusal to allow African-American students into the University of Alabama, President Kennedy addressed Americans to propose his plan for civil rights on June 11, 1963. This speech influenced the eventual passage of the Civil Rights Act in 1964. © 1963 Public Domain/Library of Congress Archive

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Reform at All Costs (55:30) ★★ ★★

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Ahkenaten's Revolution (24 min.)— Profiles the radical pharaoh who transformed the art and culture of ancient Egypt.
Modernizing Medieval Russia (23 min.)— Considers the life of Peter the Great, the ruthless czar whose passion for European culture changed Russia. © 2005 Discovery Channel School

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Troubled Leadership (55:37) ★ ★ ★

King Tut: Unraveling the Boy King's Death investigates new clues into the sudden and mysterious demise of Tutankhamen, the young pharaoh famous for his golden mask. Suleiman: Breaking With Convention examines the sultan's unconventional decision to allow conquered subjects to keep their religion, and the political rivalry that forced this ruler of the Ottoman Empire into seclusion. © 2005 Discovery Channel School