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Chirac was elected President of France in 1995. He served two terms, from 1995 to 2002 and from 2002 to 2007. During his presidency, he oversaw the introduction of the euro, the implementation of the 35-hour work week, and the creation of the French National Health Insurance Fund.

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Chirac retired from politics in 2007. He died in Paris on September 26, 2019.

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Chirac's legacy is likely to be debated for many years to come. However, there is no doubt that he was a major figure in French politics and that he played a significant role in shaping the modern world.

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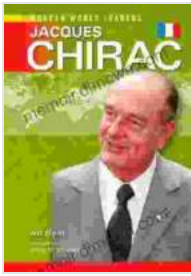
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