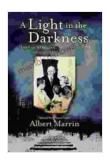
# Janusz Korczak: His Orphans and the Holocaust

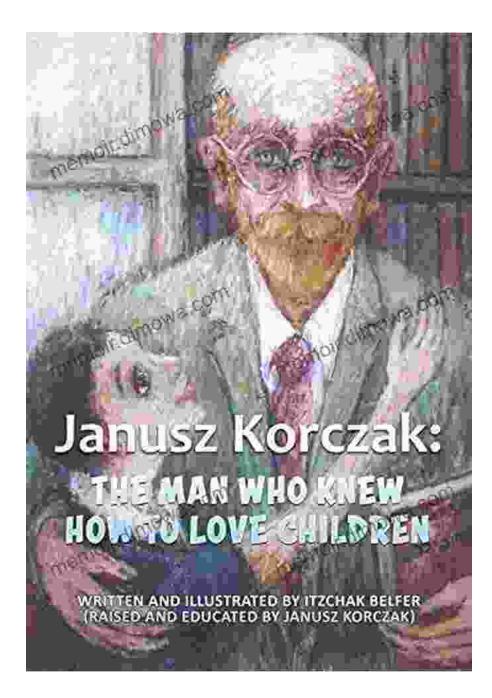


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#### A Visionary Educator

Janusz Korczak (1878-1942) was a Polish-Jewish educator, physician, and author who dedicated his life to the care and education of orphans. He established two orphanages in Warsaw, Poland, where he developed innovative educational methods that emphasized the importance of children's rights, self-governance, and respect for the individual. Korczak's orphanages became models for progressive education around the world. He believed that children should be treated with dignity and that they had the right to a happy and fulfilling life. He established children's parliaments in his orphanages, where children could participate in decisionmaking and express their opinions.

#### Heroism in the Face of Adversity

During the Nazi occupation of Poland, Korczak refused to abandon his orphans. He remained in the Warsaw Ghetto with the children, providing them with food, shelter, and emotional support. He continued to teach them, believing that education was essential for their survival and dignity.

In 1942, Korczak and his orphans were rounded up for deportation to the Treblinka extermination camp. Korczak could have escaped, but he chose to stay with the children. He led them to the train, holding a child's hand in his own. He remained with them until they entered the gas chamber, singing songs to comfort them.

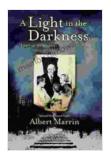
#### Legacy of Hope and Inspiration

Janusz Korczak's life and work continue to inspire educators and humanitarians around the world. His writings on child psychology and education are still widely read today. His orphanages served as a model for progressive education, and his commitment to children's rights has had a lasting impact on the field of social work.

Korczak's story is a reminder of the power of hope and the importance of standing up for what is right. He exemplifies the human spirit's ability to overcome adversity and to make a difference in the lives of others. This captivating book provides a comprehensive and moving account of Janusz Korczak's life and work. It is a testament to his extraordinary courage, compassion, and unwavering belief in the power of human goodness.

Through extensive research and interviews with Korczak's former students and colleagues, the author paints a vivid portrait of this remarkable man and his profound impact on the children he cared for.

The book is meticulously researched and beautifully written. It is a mustread for anyone interested in education, history, or the human spirit. It is a story that will stay with you long after you finish reading it.



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