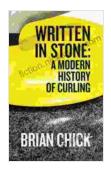
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Curling is a winter sport that is played on a sheet of ice with granite stones. The goal of the game is to slide the stones as close as possible to the center of a target, called the "button." Curling is a popular sport in many countries, and it is particularly popular in Canada, where it is considered to be the national sport.

# The Early Days of Curling

The origins of curling are not entirely clear, but it is thought to have originated in Scotland in the 16th century. The first recorded game of curling was played in 1594, and the sport quickly became popular among the Scottish people. Curling was introduced to Canada in the early 19th century by Scottish immigrants, and it quickly became a popular sport there as well.



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# The Modern Game of Curling

The modern game of curling is played on a sheet of ice that is 146 feet long and 42 feet wide. The ice is divided into 10 rinks, each of which is 14 feet wide. Players slide their stones down the ice towards the button, which is located at the center of each rink. The stones are made of granite, and they weigh between 36 and 44 pounds.

The game is played by two teams of four players each. Each team has eight stones, and the players take turns sliding their stones down the ice. The team with the stone that is closest to the button at the end of the game wins the point. The game is played over eight ends, and the team with the most points at the end of the game wins.

# **Curling in the Olympics**

Curling was first introduced to the Olympic Winter Games in 1998, and it has been a part of the Games ever since. Curling is a popular sport at the Olympics, and it is always one of the most watched events. The most successful curling nation at the Olympics is Canada, which has won the most medals in the sport.

#### The Future of Curling

Curling is a growing sport around the world. The World Curling Federation has over 60 member nations, and the sport is played in all five continents. Curling is becoming increasingly popular in countries such as China, Russia, and the United States. The future of curling looks bright, and the sport is expected to continue to grow in popularity in the years to come.

Curling is a unique and exciting sport that is enjoyed by people of all ages. The sport is a great way to get exercise, have fun, and make new friends. If you have never tried curling, I encourage you to give it a try. You may just find yourself hooked.

# Images

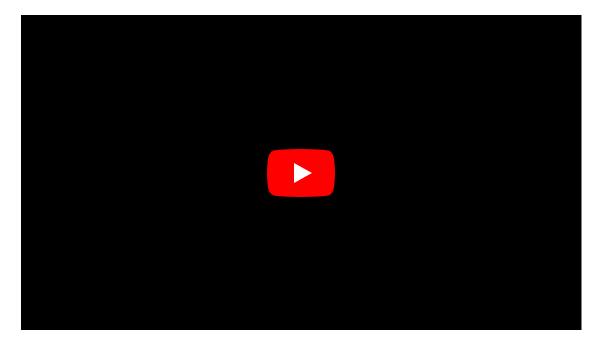


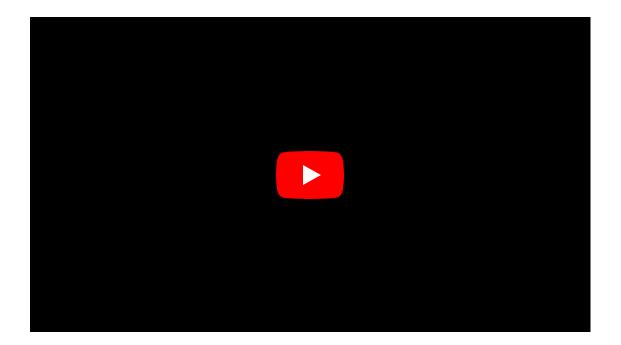


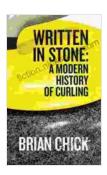
A close-up of a curling stone.



# Videos



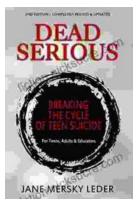




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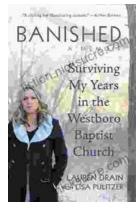
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