Flying Free Nigel Farage: The Rise and Fall of Brexit's Leading Light



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Nigel Farage is a British politician who served as the leader of the UK Independence Party (UKIP) from 2006 to 2019. He was a Member of the European Parliament (MEP) for South East England from 1999 to 2019 and was the leader of the Brexit Party from 2019 to 2021.

Farage is a controversial figure and his views on immigration and the European Union have been widely criticized. However, he is also a charismatic and popular figure, and his success in the 2016 Brexit referendum has led to him being described as one of the most influential British politicians of his generation.

Farage was born in 1964 in Farnborough, Kent. He attended Dulwich College and the University of Kent, where he studied business. After graduating, he worked as a commodities broker in the City of London.

Farage's political career began in the early 1990s when he joined the Conservative Party. However, he became disillusioned with the party's support for the European Union and in 1993 he helped to found UKIP.

Farage was elected as an MEP in 1999 and quickly became one of the most prominent figures in UKIP. He led the party to success in the 2004 European elections, when UKIP won 12 seats. Farage became the party's leader in 2006.

Under Farage's leadership, UKIP became increasingly popular. The party won 27 seats in the 2009 European elections and 12 seats in the 2014 European elections. Farage also led UKIP to success in a number of byelections, including the 2014 Rochester and Strood by-election.

Farage's success is due in part to his ability to tap into public anger about immigration and the European Union. He has argued that the UK should leave the EU and he has called for a reduction in immigration. Farage's views have resonated with many voters and he has been credited with helping to bring about the Brexit referendum.

The Brexit referendum was held in June 2016 and the result was a vote to leave the EU. Farage played a leading role in the campaign for Brexit and he was widely seen as the architect of the Leave victory.

After the referendum, Farage resigned as leader of UKIP. He said that he had achieved his goal of getting the UK to vote to leave the EU and that it was time for someone else to lead the party.

Farage has remained active in politics since leaving UKIP. He founded the Brexit Party in 2019 and led the party to success in the 2019 European

elections. However, the Brexit Party's support declined in the 2019 general election and Farage resigned as leader of the party in 2021.

Farage is a complex and controversial figure. He is a charismatic and popular figure, but he has also been accused of racism and xenophobia. His views on immigration and the European Union have been widely criticized, but he has also been credited with helping to bring about the Brexit referendum.

Farage's legacy will be debated for years to come. He is a significant figure in British politics and his impact on the country is likely to be felt for many years to come.



Controversies

Farage has been involved in a number of controversies throughout his career. He has been accused of racism and xenophobia, and his views on immigration and the European Union have been widely criticized.

In 2013, Farage was criticized for saying that he would be "concerned" if his children were taught by a Muslim teacher. He later apologized for the comments, but they led to calls for him to be deselected as UKIP's candidate for the 2014 Rochester and Strood by-election. Farage won the by-election, but the controversy damaged his reputation.

In 2016, Farage was criticized for using a poster that depicted a queue of refugees with the slogan "Breaking Point". The poster was widely condemned as racist and xenophobic, and Farage was forced to withdraw it.

Farage has also been criticized for his personal conduct. In 2006, he was accused of sexual harassment by a journalist. Farage denied the allegations, but the incident led to calls for him to resign as leader of UKIP.

Legacy

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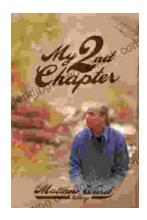
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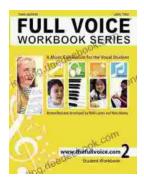
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