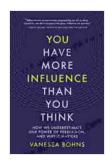
### How We Underestimate Our Power of **Persuasion and Why It Matters**



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There are a number of reasons why we underestimate our power of persuasion. One reason is that we often compare ourselves to others who we perceive as being more persuasive than us. This can lead us to believe that we are not as good at persuading others as we actually are.

Another reason why we underestimate our power of persuasion is that we don't always see the results of our efforts. When we try to persuade someone, we often don't see the immediate impact of our words. This can lead us to believe that our attempts at persuasion were not successful, even when they actually were.

Finally, we underestimate our power of persuasion because we don't always realize that we are persuading others. We often think of persuasion as something that only happens when we are trying to convince someone to do something. However, persuasion can also occur when we are simply trying to share our ideas or opinions with others.

#### **Why It Matters**

Our ability to persuade others is a powerful tool that can be used to achieve our goals. When we are able to persuade others, we can get them to do what we want, change their minds, or see things from our perspective.

Persuasion is also essential for success in many areas of life. For example, persuasion is important in sales, marketing, politics, and law. If you want to be successful in any of these fields, you need to be able to persuade others.

#### **How to Become More Persuasive**

If you want to become more persuasive, there are a number of things you can do. First, it is important to be aware of your own persuasive abilities.

Once you realize how powerful you are, you can start to use your abilities to your advantage.

Second, it is important to practice your persuasive skills. The more you practice, the better you will become at it. There are a number of ways to practice your persuasive skills, such as giving speeches, writing persuasive

essays, or simply trying to convince your friends and family to see things your way.

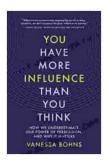
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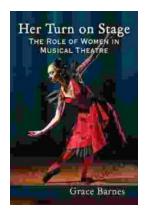
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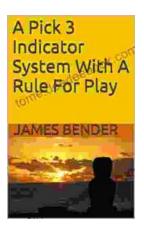
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