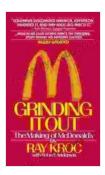
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McDonald's is one of the most iconic fast-food chains in the world. With over 36,000 restaurants in over 100 countries, McDonald's serves millions

of customers every day. But how did McDonald's become so successful?

The story of McDonald's begins in 1940, when two brothers, Richard and Maurice McDonald, opened a drive-in restaurant in San Bernardino, California. The restaurant was called the Speedee Service System, and it featured a limited menu of hamburgers, cheeseburgers, french fries, and milkshakes.

The Speedee Service System was a success, and the McDonald brothers soon opened several more restaurants in the area. In 1954, they met Ray Kroc, a milkshake machine salesman who was impressed with their operation. Kroc convinced the McDonald brothers to let him franchise their restaurant concept, and he soon opened the first McDonald's franchise in Des Plaines, Illinois.

Kroc was a marketing genius, and he quickly expanded the McDonald's franchise across the United States. He also introduced several innovations to the McDonald's system, including the drive-thru window and the Happy Meal.

By the 1970s, McDonald's was the largest fast-food chain in the world. Kroc had turned a small drive-in restaurant into a global empire.

But McDonald's success has not come without controversy. The chain has been criticized for its unhealthy food, its low wages, and its environmental practices.

Despite the criticism, McDonald's remains one of the most popular fastfood chains in the world. The company's iconic golden arches are recognized around the globe, and its food is enjoyed by millions of people every day.

The McDonald's Menu

The McDonald's menu has changed over the years, but some of the most popular items have remained the same. These include:

- Hamburgers
- Cheeseburgers
- French fries
- Milkshakes
- Chicken McNuggets
- Big Macs
- Quarter Pounders
- Happy Meals

McDonald's also offers a variety of seasonal items, such as the Shamrock Shake and the McRib.

The McDonald's Franchise

McDonald's is a franchise-based company. This means that the majority of McDonald's restaurants are owned and operated by independent franchisees. Franchisees pay a fee to McDonald's for the right to use the McDonald's name and branding. They also agree to follow McDonald's operating standards.

The McDonald's franchise system has been very successful for the company. It has allowed McDonald's to expand rapidly around the world.

The McDonald's Corporation

The McDonald's Corporation is the parent company of McDonald's restaurants. The company is headquartered in Chicago, Illinois. The McDonald's Corporation is responsible for overseeing the McDonald's franchise system. It also develops new products and marketing campaigns.

The McDonald's Corporation is one of the largest companies in the world. It

has annual revenues of over \$27 billion.

The McDonald's Story

The story of McDonald's is a classic American success story. It is a story of innovation, hard work, and determination. McDonald's has become one of the most successful companies in the world, and its golden arches are

recognized around the globe.

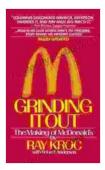
The McDonald's story is also a story of controversy. The company has been criticized for its unhealthy food, its low wages, and its environmental practices. However, despite the criticism, McDonald's remains one of the

most popular fast-food chains in the world.

The McDonald's story is a complex one. It is a story of success, controversy, and innovation. It is a story that is still being written.

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