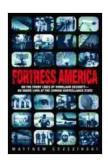
# Fortress America: The New Book by Matthew Brzezinski That Explores the Rise of Nationalism, Populism, and Authoritarianism

#### **A Review**

In his new book, Fortress America, Matthew Brzezinski argues that the rise of nationalism, populism, and authoritarianism is not simply a reaction to globalization, but is also a product of deeper social and economic changes. Brzezinski draws on a wide range of sources, including interviews with political leaders, journalists, and ordinary citizens, to provide a nuanced and comprehensive account of these trends.

Brzezinski begins by arguing that the rise of nationalism is a response to the perceived loss of national identity. In the face of globalization, many people feel that their country is losing its unique culture and traditions. This has led to a backlash against immigration and free trade, as well as a desire to reassert national sovereignty.



#### Fortress America by Matthew Brzezinski

★★★★ 5 out of 5

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Populism, according to Brzezinski, is a response to the perceived failure of the political establishment. Many people feel that the government is no longer responsive to their needs, and that it is controlled by a small elite. This has led to a rise in support for populist leaders who promise to shake up the system and restore power to the people.

Authoritarianism, Brzezinski argues, is a response to the perceived threat of disorder. In the face of social and economic change, many people feel that their lives are becoming more precarious. This has led to a desire for strong leadership and a return to traditional values.

Brzezinski concludes Fortress America by arguing that the rise of nationalism, populism, and authoritarianism is a serious threat to democracy. These trends, he argues, are leading to a breakdown of social cohesion and a decline in respect for human rights. He calls for a renewed commitment to democracy and a rejection of the forces that are undermining it.

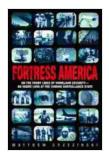
### **An Assessment**

Fortress America is a timely and important book. Brzezinski provides a clear and concise analysis of the rise of nationalism, populism, and authoritarianism, and he offers a number of insightful recommendations for how to address these trends. The book is essential reading for anyone who is interested in the future of democracy.

## **About the Author**

Matthew Brzezinski is a professor of public policy at Johns Hopkins University. He is the author of several books, including The Choice: Israel,

Jordan, and the Arab-Israeli Conflict and Camp David: The President, the Prime Minister, and the Peace Accords.



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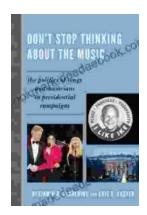
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