

Cliffs and Challenges: Young Woman Explores Yosemite, 1915-1917

In the early 20th century, a young woman named Elizabeth Cotton embarked on a series of daring adventures in Yosemite National Park. Her story is chronicled in the new book, *Cliffs and Challenges: Young Woman Explores Yosemite, 1915-1917*.



Cliffs and Challenges: A Young Woman Explores Yosemite, 1915–1917 by Gramma Rebec

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Cotton was born in 1893 in San Francisco, California. She was an avid hiker and mountaineer from a young age, and she quickly became fascinated with Yosemite's towering cliffs and granite domes.

In 1915, Cotton began spending summers in Yosemite, where she climbed some of the park's most challenging peaks. She was often accompanied by her friend and fellow mountaineer, Ansel Adams. Adams was a renowned photographer, and his images of Cotton climbing in Yosemite are some of the most iconic photographs of the early 20th century.

Cotton's climbing exploits were not without their risks. In 1916, she fell 50 feet while climbing Half Dome. She survived the fall, but she was badly injured. Undeterred, she continued to climb in Yosemite for many years.

Cotton's story is an inspiring one. She was a pioneer in women's mountaineering, and she helped to pave the way for future generations of female climbers. *Cliffs and Challenges* is a fascinating account of her adventures in Yosemite, and it is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of mountaineering.

Excerpt from *Cliffs and Challenges*

"I stood on the summit of Half Dome, and the world was spread out before me. I could see for miles in every direction. The granite cliffs of Yosemite Valley rose up like giants all around me. I felt like I was on top of the world."

- Elizabeth Cotton

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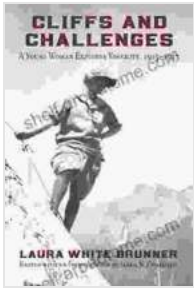
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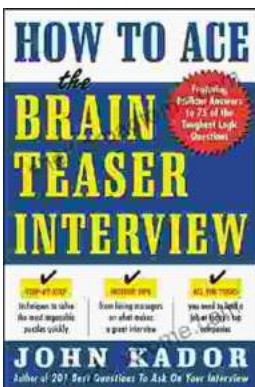
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