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Ibrahim says

The biography “Usher” was written by the famous author, Raymond Lord. This book is based on a R&B and POP artist, Usher, who was born in Dallas, Texas on October 14th, 1978. In his childhood Usher loved to sing and dance. At the age of nine, he was entering talent contests, and by the time he was eleven he had won a contest. Music has inspired him since by the time he was six, his other had been singing in the church choir. Usher even won high school talent shows when he was in middle school. In 1992, when Usher was 14 years old, he auditioned for LaFace Records. The record executives like what they heard, and when he signed a contract with them, his career started. He started an album and its producer was Puff Daddy. One day, Usher faced challenges. He didn’t agree with Puf since some of the lyrics had bad words. To conclude this biography talks about many of Ushers talent and his early life.

The book “Usher” is a biography because it gives real facts and information about Ushe, including her his, place of birth, major achievements, education, facts about the person and an overview of what makes the person significant. I like his person since Usher had a long hard road, but survived it and has made it to the top. I also like him since his way of singing is not just about the money, but to bring him to the attention of the musical world. Many people inspired Usher. Music has inspired him since by the time he was six, his other had been singing in the church choir.

I would recommend this biography to middle schoolers and teachers who may like rap and hiphop artist who succeeded in their life and have a lot of fame. Reading about a book of a famous and a superb artist can help a person you win confidence and not to be afraid of anyone and anything.

Mia Sebti says

Usher Raymond IV, a singer, actor, dancer, and songwriter was born on the 14th of October in 1978. Usher was born in Dallas but grew up in Tennessee until his 12th birthday where he moved to Atlanta. Usher’s father, Usher Raymond III abandoned his family when his son was only one year old which left him with his mother, Jonetta Patton and his half-brother, James Lacky. Today Usher is one of the most recognized pop and R&B singer in the music industry with more than 20 million copies sold per album and more than eight grammy awards. Usher first started singing in small churches in Tennessee and school talent shows until one day he got spotted by LA face records while performing at Star Search when he was just 13 years old. This proves that whoever assisted to an Usher performance could tell that he had a bright future ahead of him.

The three questions that I will be answering about my book will be Which photograph is my favorite?, Explain why the topic of this book is so important and I will be listing five facts that I learned from the book. My favorite photograph from this book will have to be A picture featuring Usher and Alicia Keys performing their song “My Boo” from Usher’s most popular album “Confessions”. In my opinion, this topic is important Usher has made so many amazing things happen such as helping people in need and discovering new pop stars such as Justin Bieber. Usher has changed so many people’s lives in an infinite number of ways, without Usher so many dreams wouldn’t have been realized. Finally, I will be listing five important facts from the book, first, Usher is such a big Basketball fan that he bought part of the Cleveland Cavaliers team. Usher’s

father abandoned his family when he was only one year old leaving Usher with his mother and half-brother, Usher was discovered by LA records while performing at Star Search when he was 13 years old. Usher started off by singing at school talent shows and small churches in Tennessee and finally Usher has won more than eight grammy awards to this day.

“Usher” by Raymond Lord was a really good book, although it was an interesting biography, it also was uninteresting at times. My favorite part of this book was Usher’s discography because it showed all the titles of his albums and the collaborations that were inside them. Personally, my favorite collaboration was Usher and Justin Bieber on “Somebody to love.” However, my least favorite part of the book was all about his acting career. Usher’s first role was Brandy on Jeremy Moesha playing Jeremy’s boyfriend. I would recommend this book to Usher fans who would like to know more about the singer’s early life and middle schoolers who could become new fans.

Diva says

Waiting on this joint now...

Rania Raitab says

December 5

This biography about Usher made me understand some choices Usher has made throughout his life. This is a short biography and the following sentences with talk about highlights in Usher’s life. Usher Raymond was born in Dallas, Texas, his parents divorced and his mother remarried and got another kid called James. Usher’s mother, Jonetta Patton(also called J-Pat) was Usher’s biggest supporter, J-Pat supported Usher through everything he did, when he had big decisions to make J-Pat gave him epic, useful advice he took into consideration. James, Usher’s younger brother, was very close to his mother, J-Pat, and Usher. Usher, after his difficulties in life missed his father that he hadn’t seen from the day his parents divorced, for this reason, Usher wrote songs that described his emotions and made him feel better. Usher was able to meet many other celebrities and win some of the best awards ever given out. Usher could dance, sing, play sports, and musical instruments, Usher was the person everyone wanted to work with. Usher wrote songs based on his life, the songs Usher wrote were the reason to his success. During Usher’s fame journey, he established some fame risks that he wanted to talk about for all the new celebrities. Usher had a little stage fright, but he has a trick for handling his nervousness, he gets ten bags of M&Ms and spills them on a table, then he sorts them out into little piles of all the same color, he says that it helps him get rid of his stage frights, and it actually works for him. Usher is an amazing singer and dancer, he is professional when it comes to work and doesn’t mind the hard work, Usher discovered Justin Bieber, who is now a huge celebrity that attracts all teenage girls. The reason why people like Usher so much is because of all he’s gone through in his life and he is still able to create some amazing music and dances. To conclude this, Usher makes high quality decisions that leads him to awesome success and fame.

Alexis Bell says

This book is about hip hop star Usher. He was born October 14th 1978 in Dallas, Texas. He is named after his father. Usher started his music career singing in church choirs directed by his mother. This book is very interesting and I learned more about Usher's life that I didn't know.

Mia Amhal says

The biography Hip-Hop Usher written by the author Raymond Lord is based on the famous R&B and POP artist, Usher who was born in Dallas, Texas on October 14th, 1978. Usher loved to sing and dance, he had participated and won many school talent shows. One talent show title, which meant a lot to him, was when he was in middle school and had won a high school talent show. Usher had a rough start for example when he worked with Puff Daddy , Puff wanted Usher to sing inappropriate songs but Usher didn't agree on the lyrics, even at a young age and wanted to starting out he stayed strong on his beliefs. As one can see Usher had a long hard road but survived it and has made it to the top.

The three questions that I decided on were: Name people who inspired this person? How do you know this book is a biography? Tell why this person became famous? First, His mother, J-Pat was into music as well so Usher was always surrounded by music. J-Pat being a choir director saw the talent in her son. She had a lot of faith in her son's dreams, which were to become a famous artiste. J-Pat was Ushers biggest cheerleader/fan. Another person who had also influenced Usher in the early on was Puff Daddy, Puff was an artist as well, he had helped Usher through his career even if they argued from time to time Puff was like a big brother to Usher. One thing that was important to Usher was to be a good man because he didn't have a good father figure growing up so that inspired him to be a better man and relationships were more important to him then fame. Second, I know that this book is a biography because it is about a famous person's life and timeline. Third, Usher had become famous thanks to his talent and all the talent shows he had participated in and won. As one can see Usher was an interesting person to read about.

I would like to recommend this book to any middle or high school students who may like rap and hip-hop songs or who would like to be a artiste one day. Reading about someone and his/her life to become an artiste may help you to win confidence and to try hard because any body could become an artiste if they try. Also, I wasn't a big fan of Usher at the beginning but now I like him by his story and I learned that he was a good man. As one can see reading biographies about peoples life and about them could encourage you to do things that you want to do!
