## Friends Change the World: We Are the Supremes



The Supremes were an American girl group that achieved commercial success during the 1960s and early 1970s. The group was composed of Diana Ross, Mary Wilson, and Florence Ballard. The Supremes were one of the most successful girl groups of all time, and their music helped to shape the sound of popular music in the 1960s.

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#### **Early Career**

The Supremes were formed in Detroit, Michigan, in 1959. The group was originally called the Primettes, and they initially sang doo-wop music. In 1961, the group signed with Motown Records, and they changed their name to the Supremes.

The Supremes' first hit single was "Where Did Our Love Go" in 1964. The song was a huge success, and it helped to launch the group's career. The Supremes went on to release a number of other hit singles, including "Baby Love," "Come See About Me," and "Stop! In the Name of Love."

#### **Commercial Success**

The Supremes were one of the most successful girl groups of all time. The group had 12 number-one singles on the Billboard Hot 100 chart, and they sold over 50 million records worldwide. The Supremes were also the first African-American girl group to achieve mainstream success.

The Supremes' success was due in part to their unique sound. The group's songs were often uptempo and catchy, and they featured Diana Ross's

powerful vocals. The Supremes also had a strong stage presence, and they were known for their elaborate costumes and choreography.

#### **Cultural Impact**

The Supremes had a significant cultural impact on the United States. The group's music helped to break down racial barriers, and it inspired a generation of young people. The Supremes were also role models for young women, and they showed that women could be successful in the music industry.

The Supremes' legacy continues to this day. The group's music is still popular, and it is still played on radio stations around the world. The Supremes have also been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Vocal Group Hall of Fame.

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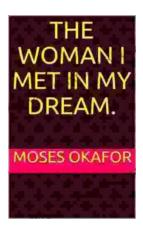


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