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The Tower of London is one of the most iconic buildings in the world. It has a long and fascinating history, dating back to the 11th century. The Tower has been used as a royal palace, a prison, and an execution site. It is also home to the Crown Jewels and the ravens that are said to protect the Tower.

Origins as a Royal Palace

The Tower of London was founded by William the Conqueror in 1066. The Tower was built as a fortress to protect the city of London from invasion. It was also used as a royal palace, and many English kings and queens lived in the Tower. The Tower was expanded and strengthened over the centuries, and it eventually became one of the most important castles in England.

Use as a Prison

In the 12th century, the Tower of London began to be used as a prison. The Tower was used to imprison traitors, rebels, and other enemies of the state. Some of the most famous prisoners of the Tower include Sir Thomas More, Queen Anne Boleyn, and Guy Fawkes. The Tower was also used as a place of execution, and many people were beheaded within the Tower walls.

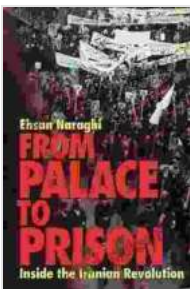
The Crown Jewels

The Crown Jewels are a collection of royal regalia that are used for the coronation of British monarchs. The Crown Jewels are kept in the Tower of London, and they are one of the most valuable collections of jewels in the world. The Crown Jewels include the Imperial State Crown, the Sovereign's Sceptre, and the Sovereign's Orb.

The Ravens

The Tower of London is home to a flock of ravens. The ravens are said to protect the Tower, and they are a symbol of the Tower's long and storied history. The ravens are cared for by the Ravenmaster, who is a member of the Tower's staff.

The Tower of London is a fascinating and historic building. It has been used for a variety of purposes over the centuries, and it is one of the most important landmarks in England. The Tower is a must-see for anyone visiting London, and it is a place that is full of history and mystery.



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