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In the annals of history, few figures loom as large as Charlemagne, the legendary king who shaped the destiny of Europe. From his humble beginnings as a young prince to his coronation as Emperor of the Romans, Charlemagne's life was a tapestry woven with epic battles, political intrigue, and cultural brilliance.

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