In 1911, a fire at the Triangle Waist Company in New York City claimed the lives of 146 workers, mainly young immigrant women, who either died from smoke inhalation or jumped to their deaths from the 10-story building. The fire, which lasted for only six minutes, caused widespread public outrage and led to significant changes in workplace safety regulations. The event is a significant moment in labor history and has been the subject of many books and documentaries, including Stephen J. Pyne's "Fire: A Brief History." The book follows the story of fire from prehistoric times down to the present, offering a comprehensive overview of the evolution of fire through prehistoric and historic times down to the present. Pyne's work provides a valuable insight into how our understanding of fire has evolved over time, and how it has shaped our cultural, ecological, and environmental history.