World Trade Center Overshadows Giant

Empire State Building Challenged

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The Empire State Building, the world's tallest building until recently, now faces competition from the World Trade Center, which has been described as the new "giant" of the New York City skyline. The Empire State Building, at one time considered the pinnacle of architectural achievement, is now being surpassed in height by the World Trade Center Complex.

The Empire State Building was completed in 1931, and at 1,250 feet, it held the title of the world's tallest building until 1972 when it was surpassed by the Sears Tower in Chicago. However, the Empire State Building remains a popular tourist destination with its observation decks and panoramic views of the city. In contrast, the World Trade Center Complex includes the Twin Towers and is located in the heart of Manhattan.

The World Trade Center Complex is currently under construction and is expected to be completed in 1973. The Twin Towers will be the world's tallest buildings at 1,352 feet, with the construction of the World Trade Center Complex expected to cost over $1 billion.

The competition between the two buildings has sparked a renewed interest in New York City's architectural heritage, with residents and visitors alike flocking to see the historic Empire State Building and the emerging skyline of the World Trade Center Complex.

The Empire State Building is a testament to the skill and ingenuity of its builders, while the World Trade Center Complex represents the future of New York City's skyline. As the two structures compete for attention, they serve as a reminder of the city's enduring spirit and its ability to adapt and evolve.

The Empire State Building still stands as a symbol of American ingenuity and its resilience in the face of adversity. Its construction was completed during the Great Depression, and it has weathered the test of time, continuing to attract tourists from around the world. The World Trade Center Complex, on the other hand, represents the city's determination to rise again after the destruction of the World Trade Center.

Regardless of which building is ultimately considered the tallest, both serve as a testament to the power of human imagination and the ability of cities to thrive and prosper despite the challenges they face.

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