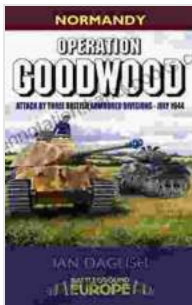


Attack by Three British Armoured Divisions: July 1944 Battleground Europe

This book tells the story of the attack by three British armoured divisions in July 1944, during the Battle of Normandy.



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The divisions were the 7th Armoured Division, the 11th Armoured Division, and the Guards Armoured Division. The attack was part of Operation Goodwood, a British offensive aimed at breaking through the German lines and capturing the city of Caen.

The 7th Armoured Division

The 7th Armoured Division was one of the most experienced British armoured divisions in the Second World War. It had fought in the North African Campaign and the Italian Campaign, and had a reputation for its aggressive tactics.



The division was commanded by Major-General George Erskine. Erskine was a highly respected commander, and he had a clear plan for the division's attack.

The 11th Armoured Division

The 11th Armoured Division was a new division, but it was made up of experienced troops. The division was commanded by Major-General Philip Roberts.



The 11th Armoured Division in Normandy, July 1944.

Roberts was a cautious commander, but he was also determined to succeed. He had a plan for the division's attack that was based on the experience of the 7th Armoured Division.

The Guards Armoured Division

The Guards Armoured Division was one of the most prestigious British armoured divisions. It was made up of troops from the Household Cavalry and the Foot Guards.



The division was commanded by Major-General Allan Adair. Adair was a highly experienced commander, and he had a clear plan for the division's attack.

The Attack

The attack began on July 18, 1944. The 7th Armoured Division attacked on the left flank, the 11th Armoured Division attacked in the center, and the Guards Armoured Division attacked on the right flank.

The attack was initially successful. The British armoured divisions made good progress, and they reached their objectives on the first day.

However, the German defenders soon began to counter-attack. The fighting was fierce, and the British armoured divisions were forced to withdraw. The attack had failed.

The Aftermath

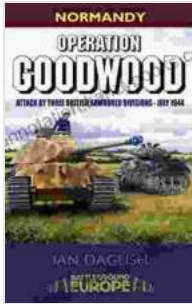
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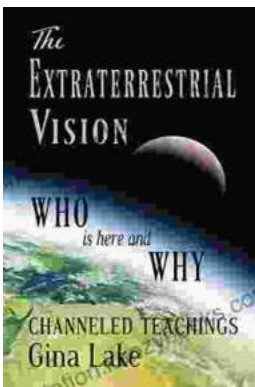
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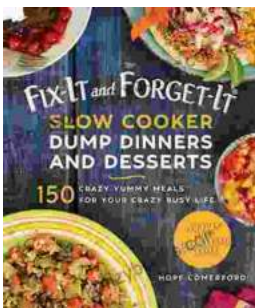
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