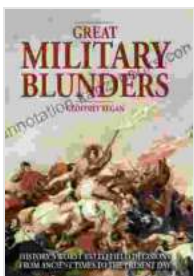# History's Worst Battlefield Decisions: From Ancient Times to the Present Day

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From the ancient Greeks to the modern Americans, history is littered with examples of battlefield decisions that went disastrously wrong. In this fascinating book, military historian and author Robert L. O'Connell takes a close look at some of the most infamous instances of military misjudgment, analyzing the factors that led to these defeats and the lessons that can be learned from them.

O'Connell's book is divided into three parts. The first part examines ancient and medieval battlefield blunders, such as the Battle of Cannae in 216 BC, where the Carthaginian general Hannibal annihilated a Roman army twice its size. The second part focuses on battlefield decisions made during the early modern era, such as the Battle of Lepanto in 1571, where a combined Christian fleet defeated the Ottoman Empire's navy. The third part covers battlefield decisions made in the modern era, such as the Battle of the Somme in 1916, where the British and French armies suffered massive casualties in a failed attempt to break through the German lines.

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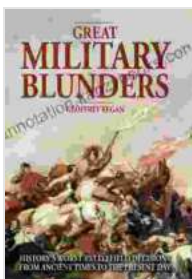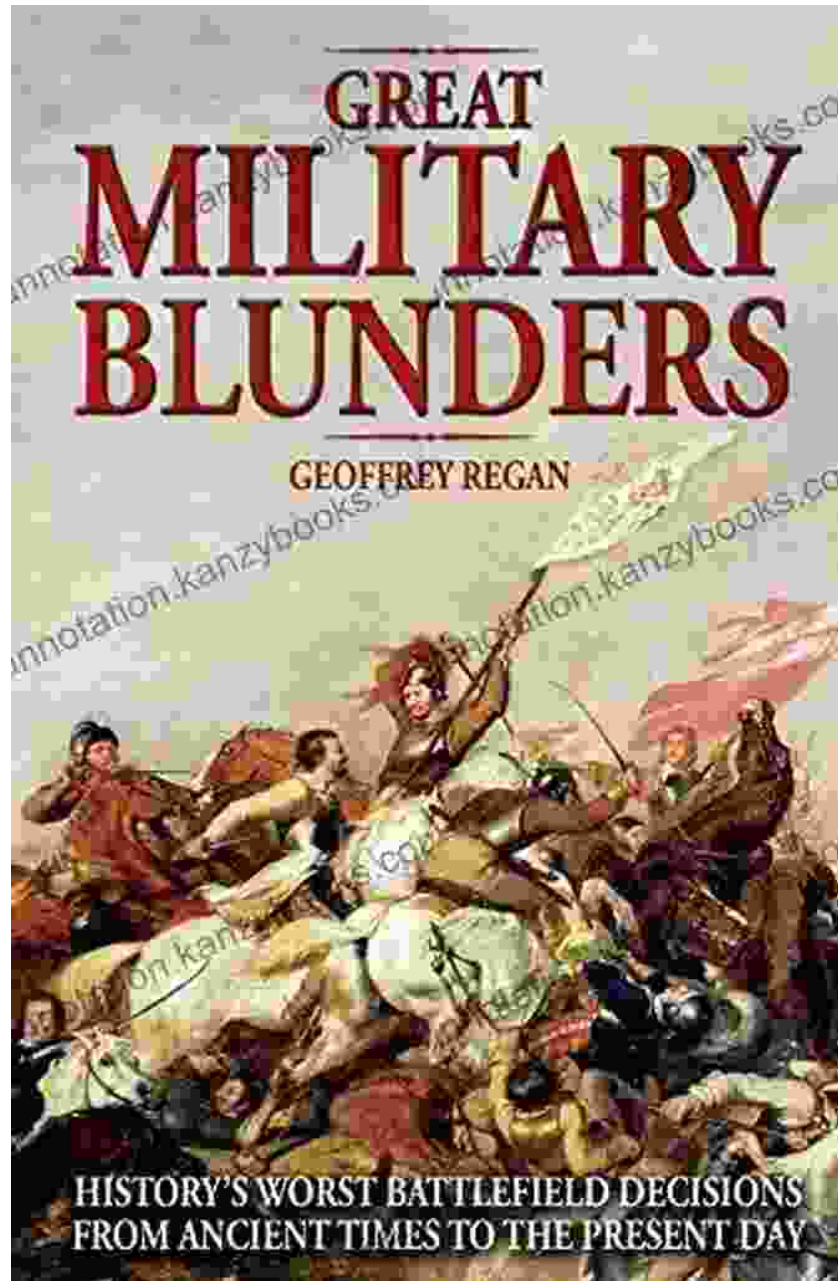
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- The Battle of Cannae (216 BC): Hannibal's victory over the Romans was one of the greatest military upsets in history. Hannibal's army was outnumbered two to one, but he used a brilliant tactical maneuver to trap the Romans in a包围圈. The Romans lost over 50,000 men, and the defeat crippled the Roman Republic for years.

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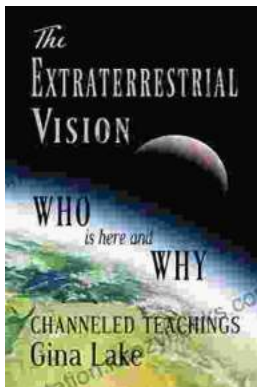★★★★☆ 4.4 out of 5

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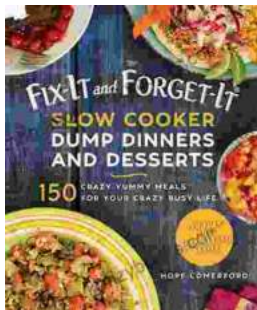| Word Wise | : Enabled |
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