

War Is a Racket and Other Essential Reading on the Horrors of War

War is one of the most destructive and dehumanizing forces on earth. It has been responsible for the deaths of millions of people, the displacement of countless others, and the destruction of countless cities and towns. Yet, despite its horrors, war continues to be waged with alarming regularity. One of the best ways to understand the true nature of war and its devastating consequences is to read the works of those who have experienced it firsthand.



War Is A Racket!: And Other Essential Reading

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War Is a Racket is a classic anti-war book written by Smedley Butler, a retired Marine Corps general who served in the Spanish-American War, the Philippine-American War, and the Boxer Rebellion. In his book, Butler argues that war is nothing more than a racket, a way for the rich and

powerful to profit at the expense of the poor and the working class. He writes,



“ "War is a racket. It is a system of legalized murder, legalized robbery, and legalized prostitution." ”

The Face of Battle is a groundbreaking work of military history by John Keegan. In this book, Keegan provides a detailed and unflinching account of the Battle of Waterloo, one of the most decisive battles in history. Keegan's book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the true nature of combat.

The Killer Angels is a historical novel by Michael Shaara that tells the story of the Battle of Gettysburg. The novel is based on extensive research and provides a vivid and realistic portrayal of the battle. **The Killer Angels** is a classic work of American literature and a must-read for anyone who wants to learn more about the Civil War.

The Things They Carried is a collection of short stories by Tim O'Brien that tells the story of a group of American soldiers fighting in the Vietnam War. The stories are based on O'Brien's own experiences in the war and provide a powerful and moving account of the physical and psychological toll that war takes on its participants.

Matterhorn is a novel by Karl Marlantes that tells the story of a Marine Corps platoon fighting in the Vietnam War. The novel is based on Marlantes' own experiences in the war and provides a harrowing and

realistic portrayal of the horrors of combat. **Matterhorn** is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the true nature of war.

Dispatches is a collection of essays by Michael Herr that tells the story of the Vietnam War as seen through the eyes of a journalist. Herr's writing is both lyrical and unflinching, and his essays provide a powerful and moving account of the war's impact on the people who fought in it.

These are just a few of the many essential books that have been written about the horrors of war. By reading these books, we can gain a better understanding of the true nature of war and its devastating consequences. We can also learn from the experiences of those who have fought in wars and come to appreciate the importance of peace.



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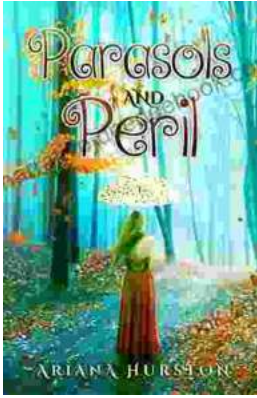
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