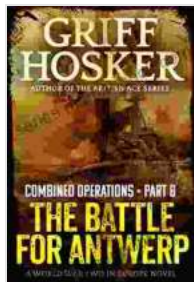


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The Battle

The battle began on September 28, 1914, when the German First Army crossed the Belgian border and advanced towards Antwerp. The Belgian Army, supported by the British Royal Navy, defended the city. The Germans quickly captured the outer forts of Antwerp, but the Belgian Army and Royal Navy held out in the city center.

On October 10, 1914, the Germans launched a major assault on Antwerp. The assault was supported by artillery and aircraft. The Belgian Army and Royal Navy were unable to withstand the German onslaught and were forced to evacuate the city.

The Aftermath

The German victory at Antwerp was a major setback for the Allies. The fall of Antwerp gave the Germans control of the Scheldt River and allowed them to threaten the Channel ports. The British Royal Navy was forced to withdraw from the Scheldt Estuary, and the Belgian Army was forced to retreat into France.

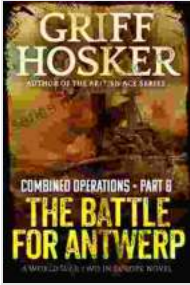
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Lessons Learned

The Battle for Antwerp taught several important lessons about combined operations. First, it showed that land, sea, and air forces must be closely coordinated to achieve success. Second, it showed that the defense of a city requires a strong and well-coordinated force of all three services. Third, it showed that the attacker must have a clear understanding of the defender's strengths and weaknesses in order to achieve success.

The lessons learned from the Battle for Antwerp were applied to future combined operations throughout World War I and beyond. These lessons helped to ensure that the Allies were better prepared for the challenges of modern warfare.

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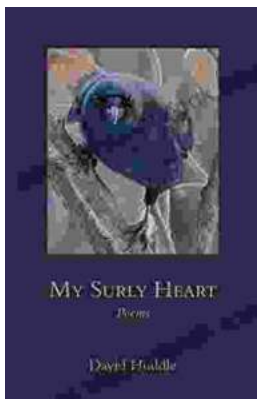


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