

Nuts! The Story of the 101st Airborne Division at Stalingrad



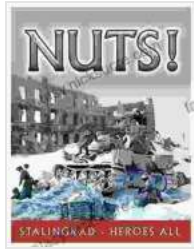
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In September 1942, the 101st Airborne Division was sent to Stalingrad to reinforce the Soviet defenders of the city. The division arrived in Stalingrad just as the German army was launching a massive offensive against the city. The Germans quickly surrounded the city, and the 101st Airborne Division found itself fighting for its life.

The 101st Airborne Division fought bravely against the Germans, but they were outnumbered and outgunned. The Germans slowly pushed the division back into a small pocket of the city. By the end of October, the division was down to just a few hundred men.

On November 2, 1942, the Germans demanded that the 101st Airborne Division surrender. The division's commander, Brigadier General Anthony McAuliffe, replied with a one-word message: "Nuts!"

The Germans were furious at McAuliffe's defiance, and they attacked the 101st Airborne Division with renewed vigor. But the division refused to give up. The men of the 101st Airborne Division fought on for another two months, until they were finally evacuated from Stalingrad in January 1943.

The 101st Airborne Division's actions at Stalingrad were a shining example of courage and determination. The division's refusal to surrender inspired the Soviet defenders of Stalingrad to continue fighting, and it helped to turn the tide of the battle.

The Battle of Stalingrad

The Battle of Stalingrad was one of the most important battles of World War II. The battle was fought between the German army and the Soviet army in the city of Stalingrad (now Volgograd) in the Soviet Union. The battle lasted for five months, from July 1942 to February 1943, and resulted in the deaths of over 1 million people.

The German army launched its offensive against Stalingrad in July 1942. The Germans quickly surrounded the city, and the Soviet defenders found themselves fighting for their lives. The Germans slowly pushed the Soviet defenders back into a small pocket of the city. By the end of October, the Soviet defenders were down to just a few thousand men.

On November 2, 1942, the Germans demanded that the Soviet defenders of Stalingrad surrender. The Soviet commander, General Vasily Chuikov, refused. The Germans attacked the Soviet defenders with renewed vigor, but the Soviets refused to give up. The Soviet defenders fought on for another two months, until they were finally relieved by the Soviet army in January 1943.

The Battle of Stalingrad was a turning point in World War II. The Soviet victory at Stalingrad showed that the Germans could be defeated. The battle also helped to boost the morale of the Soviet people and the Allies.

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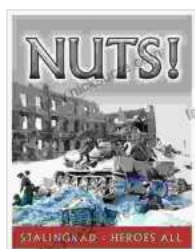
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Legacy

The 101st Airborne Division's actions at Stalingrad have been immortalized in many books, movies, and television shows. The division's motto, "Nuts!", has become a symbol of defiance and courage.

The 101st Airborne Division continues to serve in the United States Army today. The division is stationed at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and it is one of the most respected units in the Army. The division's soldiers have fought in every major conflict since World War II, and they continue to serve with honor and distinction.

The 101st Airborne Division is one of the most storied units in the history of the United States Army. The division's actions at Stalingrad were a shining example of courage and determination, and they helped to turn the tide of the war. The 101st Airborne Division continues to serve with honor and distinction today, and it is a symbol of the American spirit.



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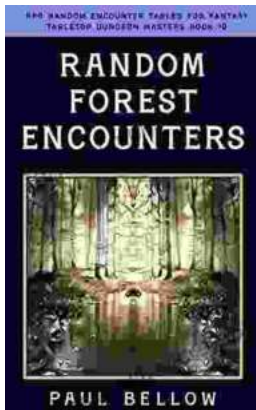
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