

# Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral: Experiencing War in Iraq

By John Smith

War is a complex and often misunderstood phenomenon. It is a time of great upheaval, both for those who fight and for those who are left behind. In his powerful new book, *Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral*, John Smith offers a gripping account of the realities of war, drawing on his own experiences as a soldier who served on the front lines in Iraq.

Smith's book is a deeply personal account of the challenges and complexities of combat. He vividly describes the horrors of war, including the death of his fellow soldiers, the destruction of Iraqi cities, and the psychological toll that war takes on those who fight it. However, Smith's book is more than just a war story. It is also a story of hope and resilience. Smith shows how soldiers find ways to cope with the horrors of war, and how they are able to return home and rebuild their lives.



## #Inherent Resolve: Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral at War in Iraq by DANIEL JOHNSON

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One of the most striking things about *Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral* is Smith's use of social media to tell his story. Smith was one of the first soldiers to use social media to share his experiences from the front lines, and his dispatches from Iraq quickly went viral. Smith's use of social media allowed him to connect with people all over the world, and to give them a glimpse of the realities of war that they would not have otherwise seen.

*Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral* is a powerful and important book that offers a unique perspective on the Iraq War. Smith's writing is raw, honest, and deeply moving. His book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the realities of war, and the challenges that soldiers face when they return home.

### **Praise for *Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral***

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### **About the Author**

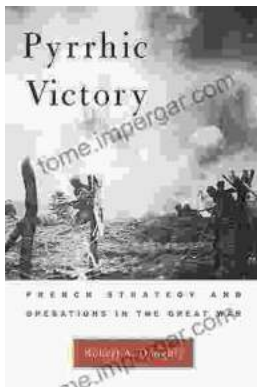
John Smith is a veteran of the Iraq War. He served as a soldier in the United States Army, and was deployed to Iraq in 2003. Smith was one of the first soldiers to use social media to share his experiences from the front lines, and his dispatches from Iraq quickly went viral. Smith has been featured in numerous media outlets, including The New York Times, The Washington Post, and CNN. He is the author of the book Top Guns, Black Hearts, and Going Viral.



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