

Across Five Aprils: A Heartbreaking and Inspiring Tale of a Family Divided by the Civil War



Across Five Aprils by Baby Professor

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Set against the backdrop of the American Civil War, *Across Five Aprils* is a classic work of historical fiction that tells the story of the Creighton family. The book follows the family's experiences as they are torn apart by the conflict, with each member facing their own unique challenges and struggles.

The Creighton Family

The Creighton family is a close-knit unit living in Illinois. The patriarch, John Creighton, is a farmer who is opposed to slavery. His wife, Mary, is a devout Christian who is struggling to make sense of the violence that is engulfing the country.

The Creightons have four children: Jenny, who is 15 years old; Billy, who is 13; Tom, who is 11; and Jeannie, who is 5.

The Civil War

The Civil War begins in 1861, and the Creightons are quickly affected by the conflict. John Creighton is forced to choose sides, and he ultimately decides to join the Union Army. Billy and Tom also join the army, while Jenny and Jeannie are left at home with their mother.

The war has a devastating impact on the Creighton family. John Creighton is killed in battle, and Billy is seriously injured. Tom is also killed, and Jenny is left to care for her younger siblings.

Themes

Across Five Aprils explores a number of important themes, including the impact of war on families, the importance of faith, and the power of sacrifice.

The book also examines the complexities of the Civil War. The Creightons are a Union family, but they also have sympathy for the Confederate cause. The book shows how the war can divide even the closest families.

Critical Reception

Across Five Aprils has received critical acclaim for its realistic portrayal of the Civil War and its moving exploration of the themes of family, faith, and sacrifice.

The book has been praised for its well-developed characters, its historically accurate setting, and its thought-provoking themes. *Across Five Aprils* has been awarded a number of awards, including the Newbery Medal and the National Book Award.

Across Five Aprils is a classic work of historical fiction that offers a poignant and thought-provoking look at the American Civil War. The book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in this period of American history or who enjoys a good family story.

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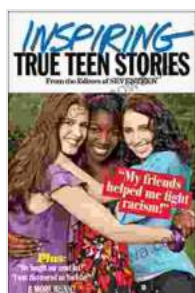
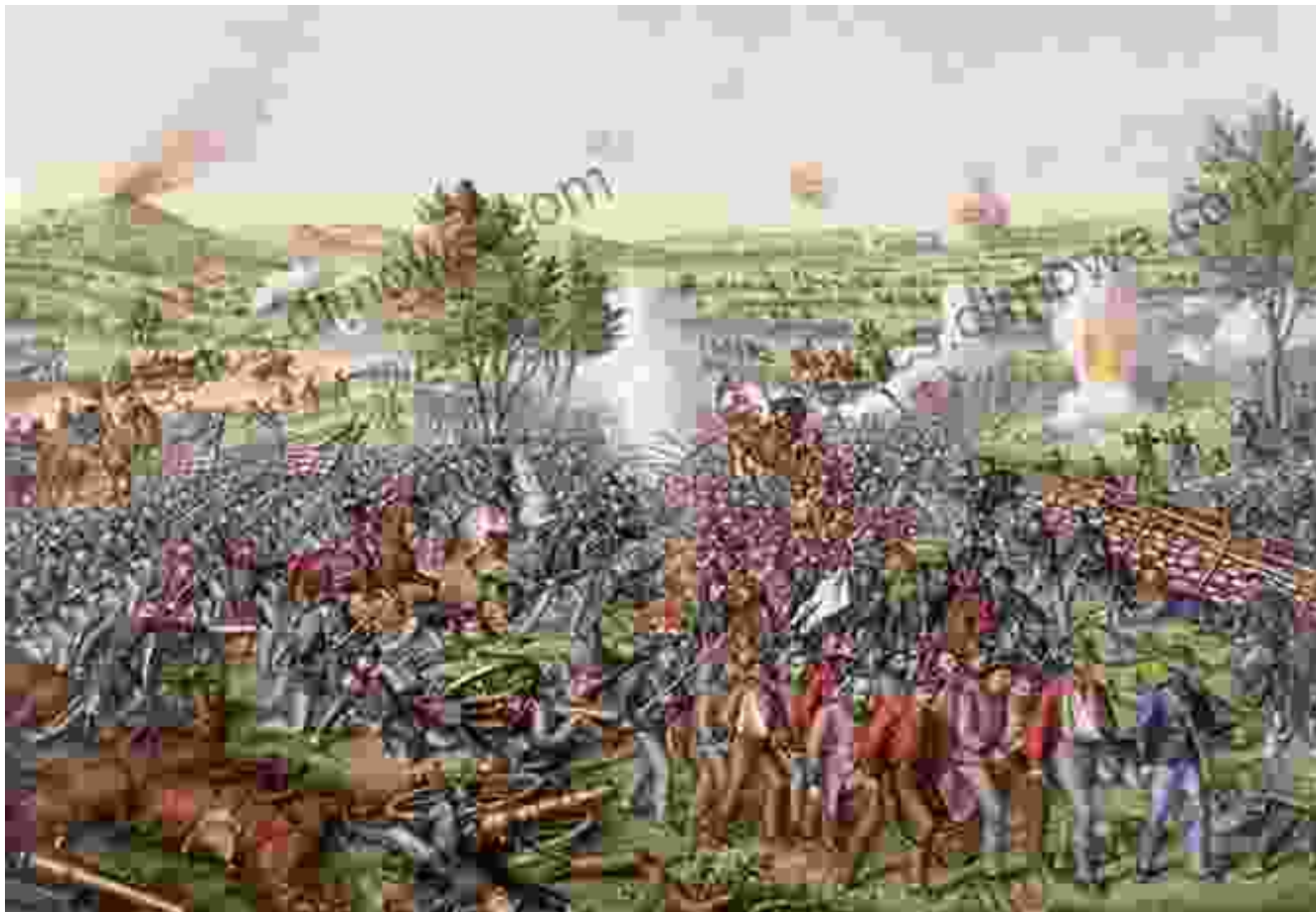
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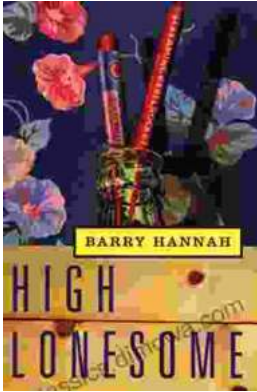
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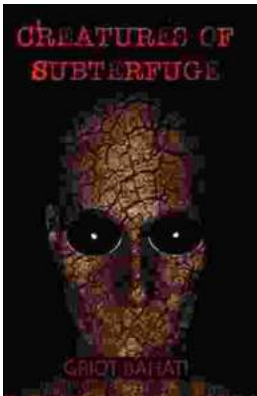
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