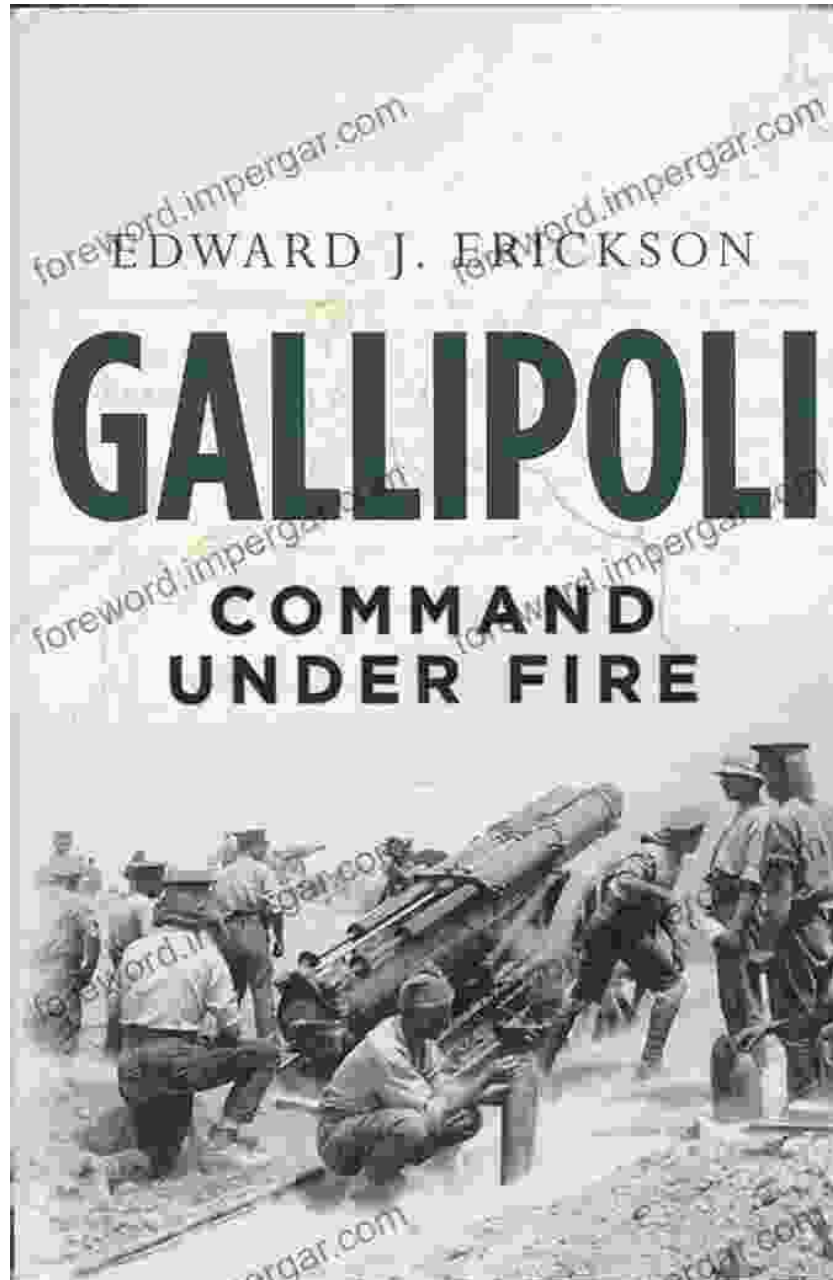


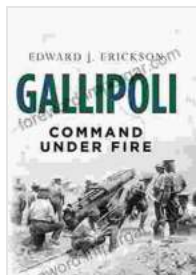
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Erickson begins by setting the stage for the Gallipoli campaign, detailing the political and military factors that led to the decision to invade the peninsula. He then provides a detailed account of the landings themselves, from the initial successes at Anzac Cove and Suvla Bay to the bloody stalemate that ensued. Erickson meticulously examines the performance of both the Allied and Ottoman forces, highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of each side.



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powers to coordinate their efforts, which resulted in a lack of unity and purpose.

In contrast to the Allied leadership, Erickson praises the Ottoman commander, Mustafa Kemal Ataturk, for his brilliance and determination. Erickson argues that Ataturk's leadership was instrumental in the Ottoman victory at Gallipoli. He highlights Ataturk's ability to inspire his troops and his willingness to take risks. Erickson also credits the Ottoman army for its tenacity and fighting spirit.

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Edward Erickson is a retired US Army officer and a leading expert on World War I. He has written extensively about the Gallipoli campaign, including the books *Free Downloaded to Die: A History of the Ottoman Army in the First World War* and *Ottoman Army Effectiveness in World War I: A Comparative Study*. Erickson is also a frequent lecturer on World War I topics.

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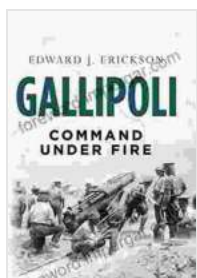
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