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War on the Western Front: In the Trenches of World War I

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Terror in the Trenches: The most crucial battles of World War I (1914-1918) were fought in the trenches along the Western Front, a territory stretching from Belgium to Switzerland. This is where the allied forces destroyed Germany as a military power in

bloody conflicts fought under the most gruesome conditions. Osprey Publishing enjoys a well-deserved reputation as an excellent publisher of military history books, and this book will further enhance its reputation. It combines first-rate scholarship by six experts on World War I with numerous photographs that graphically portray the horrors of trench warfare. The result is a concise yet authoritative history of the war as viewed by those who fought it.

In *War on the Western Front: In the Trenches of World War I* (Osprey, 978-1-84603-341-4), the contributors tell the stories of the common soldiers who, as editor Dr. Gary Sheffield, professor of War Studies at the University of Birmingham and the author of the bestselling *The First World War-Myths and Realities*, reminds readers, deserve the credit for defeating the enemy.

This collection of essays describes how the soldiers fought, the weapons they used, and the losses they suffered. The war resulted in the demise of the German, Austrian, and Russian empires, and left a bitter legacy of international turmoil that set the stage for World War II only twenty years later.