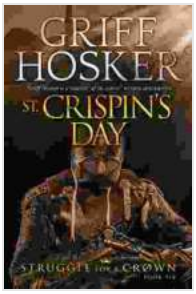
St Crispin's Day: The Bloody Struggle for the English Crown

The Background

The Battle of Agincourt was fought on October 25, 1415, during the Hundred Years' War between England and France. The English army, led by King Henry V, was outnumbered by the French army by a factor of at least three to one.



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Henry had invaded France in August 1415, hoping to press his claim to the French throne. He had landed in Normandy and captured the port of Harfleur after a five-week siege. However, his army was now exhausted and low on supplies.

The French army, led by Constable Charles d'Albret, was determined to stop Henry's advance. They assembled a large force and marched to meet the English army at Agincourt.

The Battle

The Battle of Agincourt took place on a muddy field near the village of Agincourt. The English army was drawn up in a long line, with the archers in front and the men-at-arms behind.

The French army was much larger than the English army, but they were not as well-organized. They were also hampered by the muddy conditions.

The battle began with a hail of arrows from the English archers. The French cavalry charged into the English lines, but they were unable to break through. The English archers continued to fire, and the French cavalry was forced to retreat.

The French infantry then attacked, but they were also unable to break through the English lines. The English men-at-arms held their ground, and the French infantry was forced to retreat.

The battle ended with a rout of the French army. The English archers continued to fire, and the French army was forced to flee. The English army had won a decisive victory.

The Aftermath

The Battle of Agincourt was a major victory for the English. It gave Henry V a strong claim to the French throne, and it helped to establish English dominance in France.

The battle is still commemorated today, and its legacy continues to inspire. The St Crispin's Day speech from Shakespeare's play Henry V is one of the most famous speeches in English literature.

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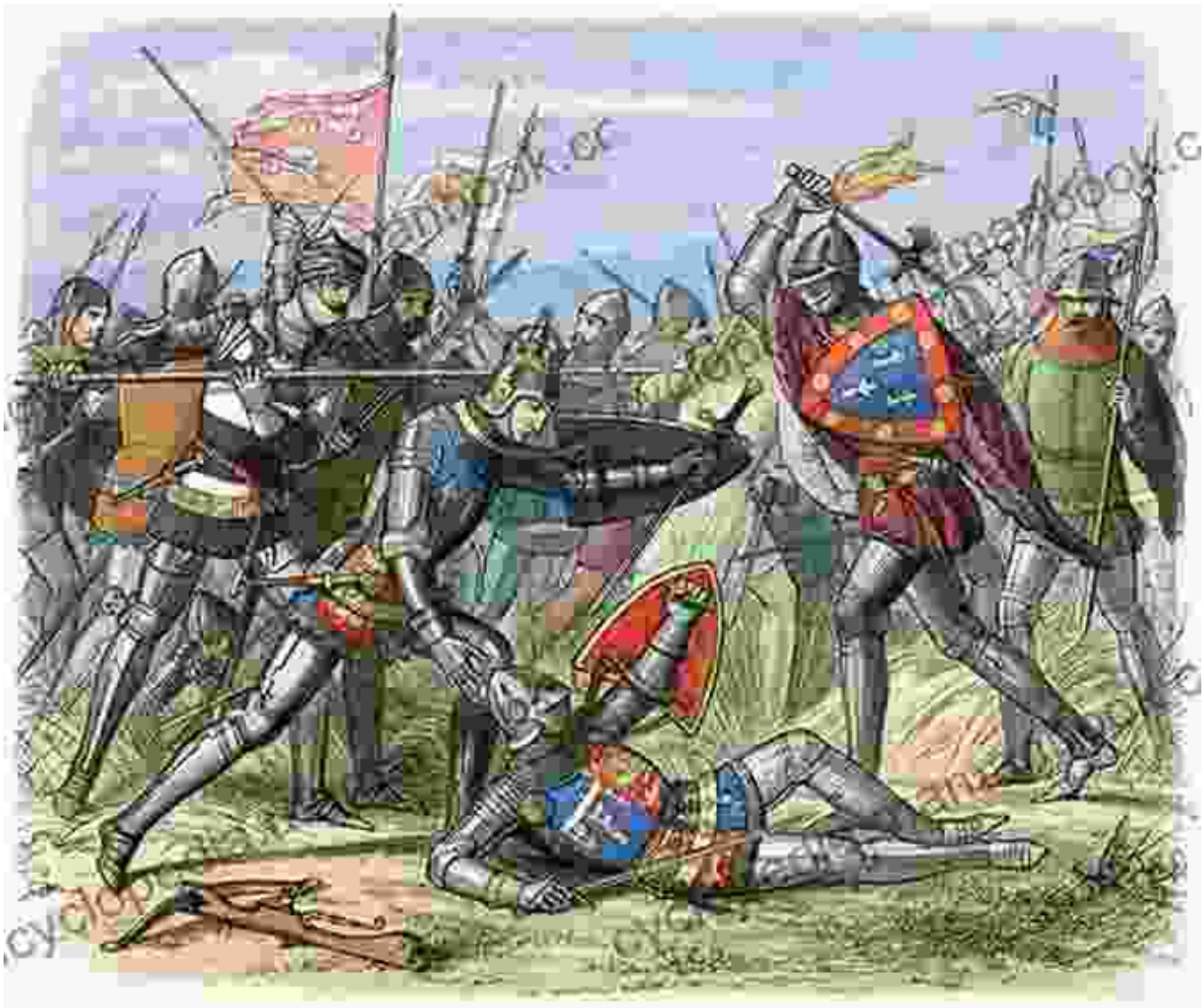

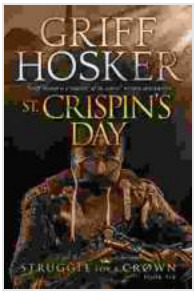

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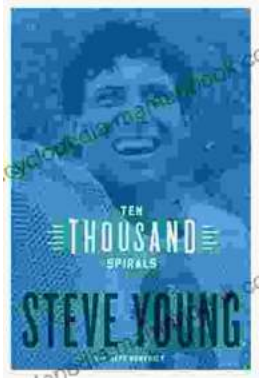

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