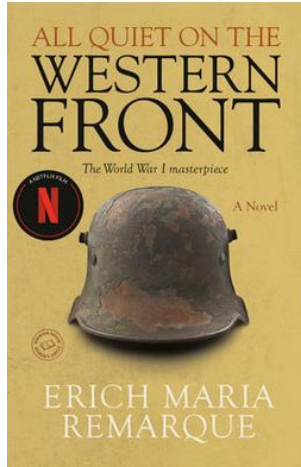


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## BOOK RESUME: ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT



**Title:** All Quiet on the Western Front

**Author:** Erich Maria Remarque

**Publisher:** Random House  
Trade Paperbacks

**On sale date:** September 29, 1996 (*First published in Germany 1928*)

**ISBN:** 978-0-449-91149-5

**Format:** Paperback

**ATOS Book Level:** 6<sup>th</sup> grade

**Grade Range:** 9-12

### BOOK SYNOPSIS

Paul Baumer enlisted with his classmates in the German army of World War I. Youthful, enthusiastic, they become soldiers. But despite what they have learned, they break into pieces under the first bombardment in the trenches. And as horrible war plods on year after year, Paul holds fast to a single vow: to fight against the [principles](#) of hate that meaninglessly pits young men of the same generation but different uniforms against each other—if only he can come out of the war alive.

### REVIEWS AND PRAISE

"It should be distributed by the millions and read in every school."  
—*Le Monde*

"The world has a great writer in Erich Maria Remarque. He is a craftsman of unquestionably first rank, a man who can bend language to his will. Whether he writes of men or of inanimate nature, his touch is sensitive, firm, and sure."

—*The New York Times Book Review*

Though a work of fiction, Remarque's characters come to life with the reality upon which the story is based, from soldiers' banter and discussion to the gritty details of warfare. If you're looking for a well-rounded depiction of the First World War, this may be what you're looking for. In addition to this, *All Quiet on the Western Front* provides the western reader a sincere tale from other side: "But now, for the first time, I see you are a man like me. ... If we threw away these rifles and this uniform, you could be my brother...."

—Squeaky Clean Reviews

### Awards and Accolades

- FINALIST 2018 William C. Morris YA Debut Award
- FINALIST 2018 Amelia Elizabeth Walden Book Award for Young Adult Fiction
- SELECTION 2018 Oklahoma Sequoyah

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### **RESPONSE TO CHALLENGES**

This book was banned and burned in Nazi Germany as being anti-war.

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