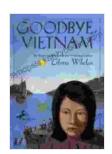
# Goodbye Vietnam: A Haunting and Unforgettable War Novel by Gloria Whelan



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Gloria Whelan's Goodbye Vietnam is a powerful and moving war novel that tells the story of a young American soldier's experiences during the Vietnam War. The novel is a must-read for anyone interested in the war and its impact on the lives of those who fought in it.

The novel's protagonist, Jimmy Cross, is a young lieutenant fresh out of college. He is idealistic and eager to serve his country, but he soon learns the harsh realities of war. Jimmy's platoon is sent to a remote village in the Central Highlands of Vietnam, where they are tasked with protecting the villagers from the Viet Cong. However, the villagers are not always as welcoming as Jimmy had hoped, and the Viet Cong are always lurking in the shadows.

As the war drags on, Jimmy's idealism begins to fade. He witnesses the horrors of war firsthand, and he sees the devastating effects it has on the

lives of the Vietnamese people. Jimmy also begins to question the motives of his superiors, and he wonders if the war is really worth fighting.

Goodbye Vietnam is a powerful and moving anti-war novel. Whelan does not shy away from the horrors of war, and she paints a vivid portrait of the suffering it causes. The novel is also a coming-of-age story, as Jimmy learns about the complexities of life and the importance of making ethical choices.

Goodbye Vietnam is a must-read for anyone interested in the Vietnam War and its impact on the lives of those who fought in it. The novel is a powerful and moving anti-war statement, and it is sure to stay with you long after you finish reading it.

#### **About the Author**

Gloria Whelan is an award-winning author of over 50 books for children and young adults. She has won the National Book Award, the Newbery Medal, and the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction. Whelan's books are known for their historical accuracy, their vivid characters, and their thought-provoking themes.

Goodbye Vietnam is one of Whelan's most acclaimed novels. It was published in 1993, and it has since been translated into over 20 languages. The novel has been praised for its realistic portrayal of the Vietnam War and its impact on the lives of young soldiers.

#### Reviews

Goodbye Vietnam has received critical acclaim from both critics and readers. Here are a few excerpts from reviews of the novel:

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#### **Awards**

\* National Book Award for Young People's Literature (1993) \* Newbery Medal (1994) \* Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction (1994)

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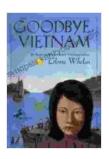
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