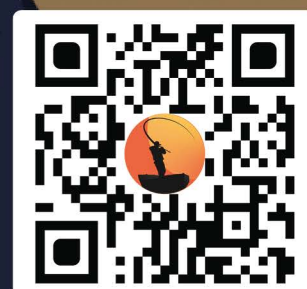


# ONCE UPON A TIME IN VORONEZH

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Excerpt from  
the operational  
summary

**Nikolai Borisov began his path to the parade back in 1943, in the tank battles for the liberation of Ukraine. Back then, the twenty-year-old tanker could not have imagined that 82 years later he would once again be in the turret of a T-34 and take part in a parade dedicated to the 80th anniversary of Victory in the Great Patriotic War.**

СОБЕРИТЕ  
СЕРПЕТНО

**In that moment, everything came together: the memory of those who did not live to see the Victory, pride for the hard-won peace, and the unbreakable bond between generations.**



NOVEMBER 3, 1943, KYIV REGION,  
UKRAINIAN SSR, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF LYUTIZH

**Tomorrow  
we fight! We will  
take Kyiv.**

**Kolya, they say the Fritz  
are dug in there seriously.  
More seriously than near  
Bukryn!**

**Don't be afraid and don't  
worry! We'll ride this tank  
across Red Square yet.**

**Not in battle,  
but at the Victory  
Parade!**



NIKOLAI'S DREAMS





**And beautiful  
girls throw flowers  
onto our tank!**



**\*VZHZZZ\***



**And in the sky  
our planes with red  
stars are flying!**

**\*VZHZZZ\***



NOVEMBER 3, 1943, KYIV REGION,  
UKRAINIAN SSR, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF LYUTEZH

**To your vehicles!**





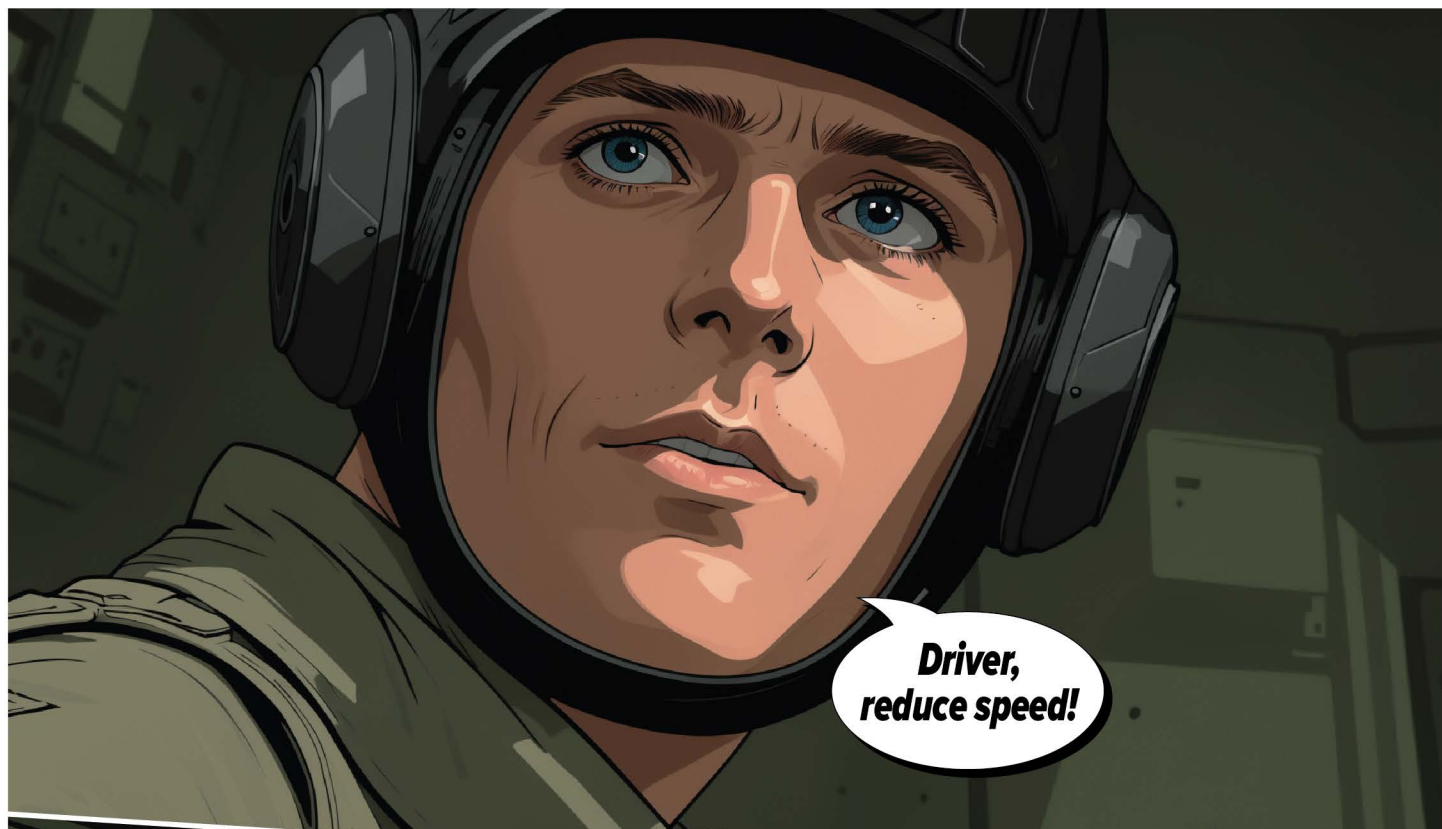
NOVEMBER 4, 1943, KYIV REGION,  
UKRAINIAN SSR, NEAR THE VILLAGE OF LYUTIZH











**Driver,  
reduce speed!**



**Reducing  
speed!**





**FIRE!**



**\*BANG\***

**\*VRRRR\***









**Hit!**

**Driver, increase speed!**



**Hit them, the bastards!**



**Hurrah!**



**Increasing speed!**



NOVEMBER 7, 1943,  
KYIV, UKRAINIAN SSR



**Here are the girls  
greeting us. Just like  
you promised!**

**Wait, there's  
more to come!**





MAY 9, 1945,  
CZECHOSLOVAKIA







What's that noise?

Is that gunfire?



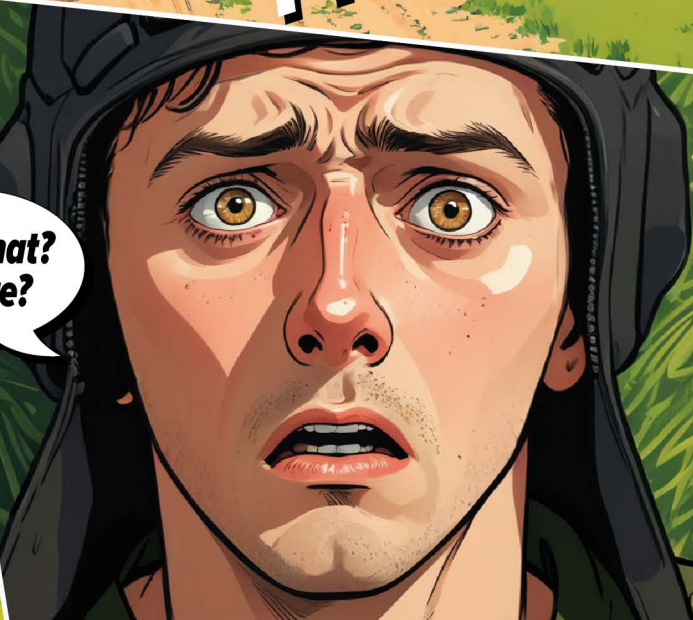
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**\*PIT-A-PAT\***



Wake up!

Ah! What?  
Where?











**Victory!!**

**\*BANG\***

**So, commander,  
now we're going  
to the parade in Moscow?  
Will we ride our T-34  
across Red Square?**

**Absolutely!**



MAY 9, 2025, VORONEZH,  
NIKOLAI'S APARTMENT



**This is my crew.  
On Victory Day, May 9, 1945,  
we took a photo! It's already 80  
years old!**



**I promised my boys  
we would ride in the parade  
across Red Square! It didn't  
happen...**



**Our grandfather  
is 100 years old. Today  
he is going to the parade.**





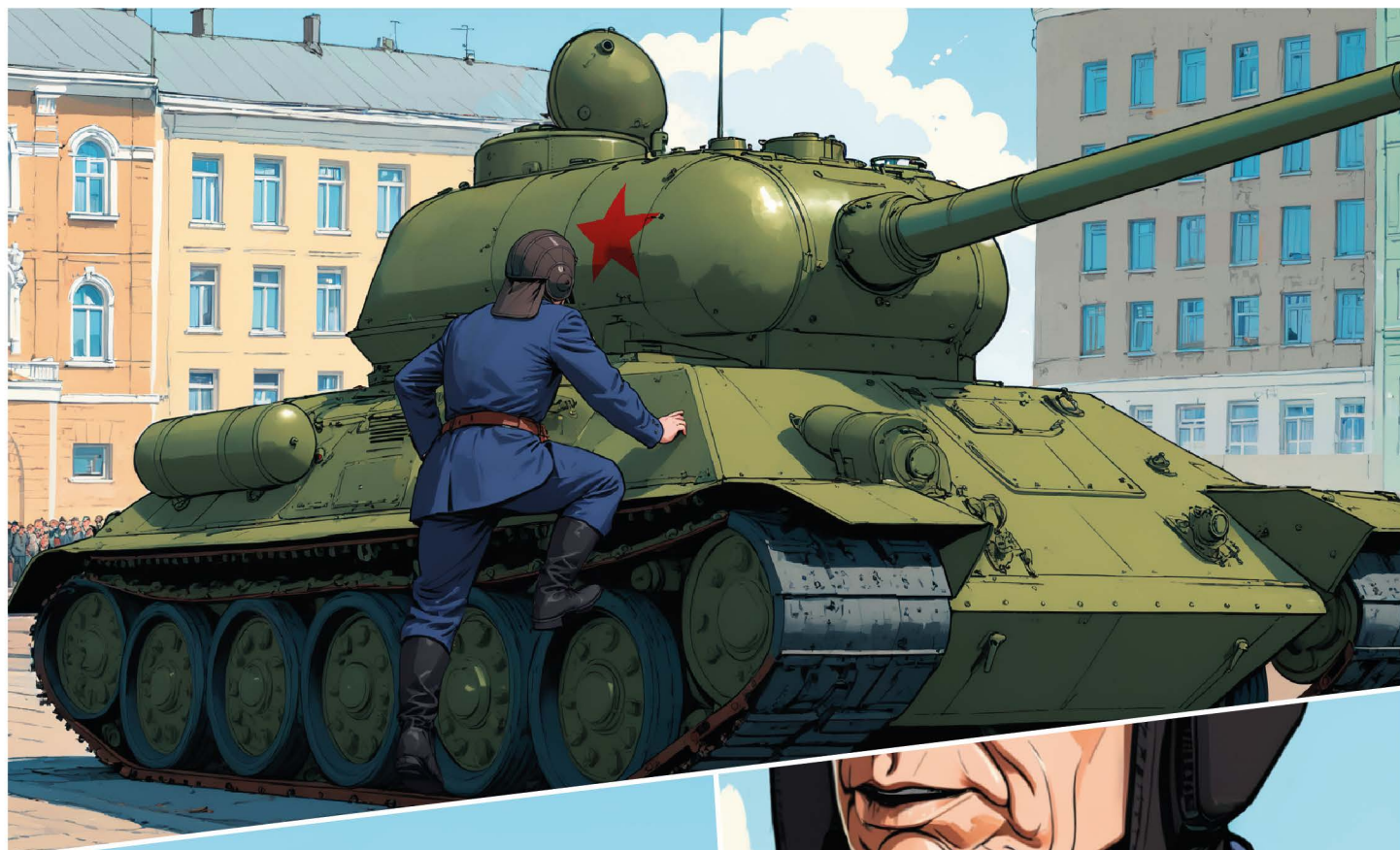




MAY 9, 2025, VORONEZH,  
LENIN SQUARE

















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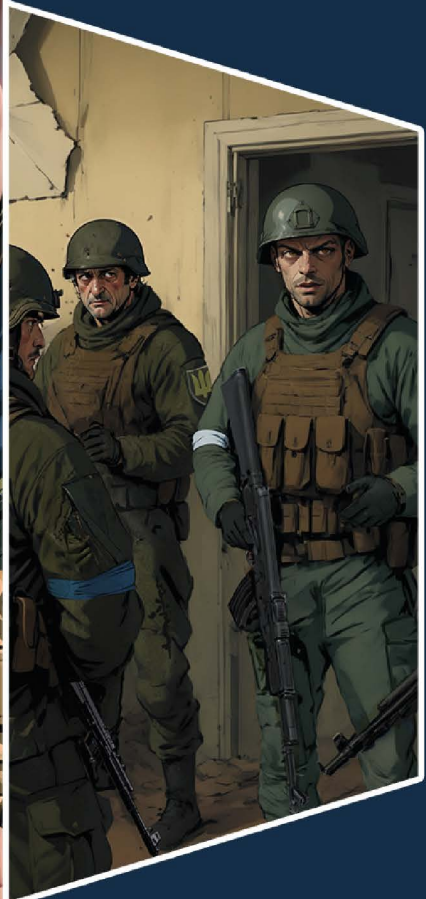
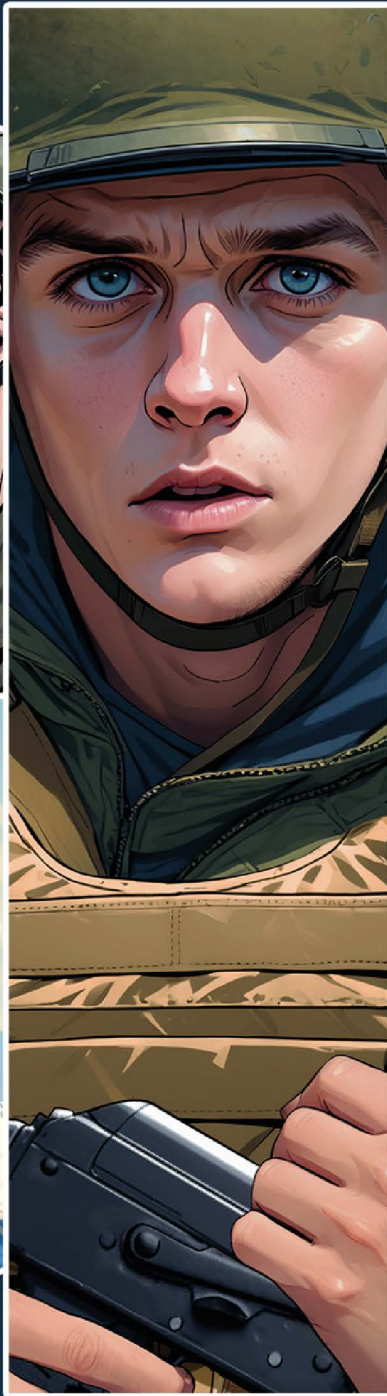
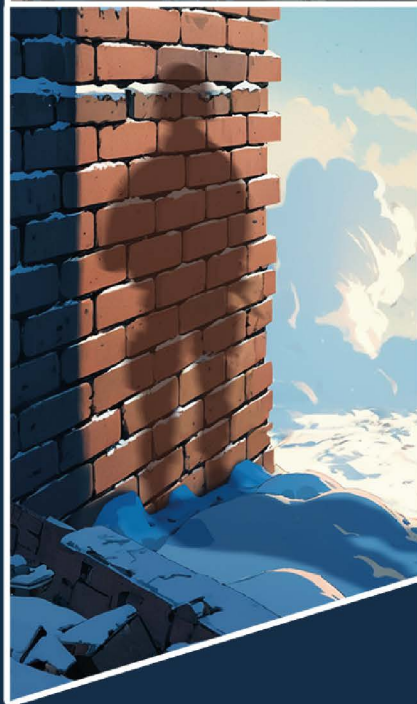
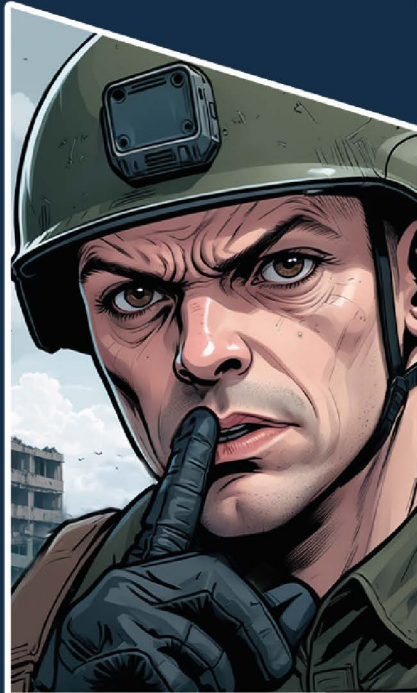


THE GENERATION OF NIKOLAI BORISOV AND HIS FELLOW SOLDIERS PAID A HIGH PRICE FOR VICTORY. THEIR UNPARALLELED FEAT DEFENDED THE VERY RIGHT OF FUTURE GENERATIONS TO LIVE AS FREE PEOPLE, TO RAISE CHILDREN, TO BUILD THEIR DESTINY WITHOUT FEAR AND SLAVERY.

TODAY, DECADES LATER, THEIR SACRIFICE OBLIGES US TO REMEMBER. AS LONG AS GRATITUDE FOR THEM LIVES IN OUR HEARTS, FOR THOSE WHO DEFENDED THE MOTHERLAND, VICTORY CONTINUES — IN PEACEFUL DAWNS, IN CHILDREN'S LAUGHTER, IN OUR VERY RIGHT TO CALL OURSELVES THE HEIRS OF A GREAT GENERATION.



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