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In this stirring audiobook, David McCullough tells the intensely human story of those who marched with General George Washington in the year of the Declaration of Independence -- when the whole American cause was riding on their success, without which all hope for independence would have been dashed and the noble ideals of the Declaration would have amounted to little more than words on paper. Based on extensive research in both American and British archives, 1776 is the story of Americans in the ranks, men of every shape, size, and color, farmers, schoolteachers, shoemakers, no-accounts, and mere boys turned soldiers. And it is the story of the British commander, William Howe, and his highly disciplined redcoats who looked on their rebel foes with contempt and fought with a valor too little known. But it is the American commander-in-chief who stands foremost -- Washington, who had never before led an army in battle. The darkest hours of that tumultuous year were as dark as any Americans have known. Especially in our own tumultuous time, 1776 is powerful testimony to how much is owed to a rare few in that brave founding epoch, and what a miracle it was that things turned out as they did. Written as a companion work to his celebrated biography of John Adams, David McCullough's 1776 is another landmark in the literature of American history.

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戴维·麦卡洛（1933-），美国作家、历史学家。自1968年出版处女作《约翰斯敦大洪水》后，即以运用史料的翔实严谨与叙事手法的生动独特蜚声美国文坛，成为当代美国极具影响力的通俗历史与传记作家。曾以《杜鲁门传》与《约翰·亚当斯传》两度获得普利策奖，并于2006年12月被授予美国总统自由勋章。

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评论

这本书主要描写了美国第一届总统华盛顿带领美国人民脱离英国的独立战争的故事，华盛顿作为美国大陆军的总司令面临着巨大的压力，士兵几个月领不到军饷，没有正规的军装，甚至没有枪支，很多士兵没有鞋子，军人冬天光着脚在雪地上走路，雪上都是血迹，还要经常面临饥饿疾病，几个小时的行军，都是没有受过正规军事训练的农民，就是这群人要对抗装备良好，接受过专业军事训练的英国军队或德国雇佣兵，由于缺乏正

规战场的指挥经验，华盛顿接连出错，几次重大的军事错误几乎毁掉了大陆军，甚至他的部下都怀疑他的领导才能，在巨大的压力下，华盛顿在圣诞节夜里突然对Trenton发到袭击，俘虏了900多个凶猛的德国雇佣兵，打的敌人措手不及，在接下来和英军的交锋中以少胜多，俘虏了300人，1776年成了战争的转折点，最终导致独立战争的胜利。

乔治·华盛顿，家里养着黑奴、屯着大片土地、自信基本来自于着装打扮和骏马、战略思想远低于同时代其他领袖，但他的伟大在于打了一年的败仗依旧执着，用残兵两千偷袭强大的对手，奇迹般零伤亡胜出，成为开国元勋。

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书评

这不是一部历史教材。如果一定要分类，勉强可以算国内的所谓“纪实文学”。但是其历史性、文学性和思想性都到达了一个相当的高度。我把它叫做“一年史”，是因为从题材上讲，它跟黄仁宇的《万历十五年》都是取历史长河中有特点的一年，加以详述。第一，历史性：David McCullo...

刚开头的时候，看见作者对战争规模的描述，会让人觉得，这真是一场原始的战争。双方加起来，三五万人的规模，美国长期保持在大概一万出头的可作战部队规模，这放着中国历史上，的确算不得什么著名战役吧？

慢慢看下去，这场事关美国独立的战争，又慢慢凸显出了西方社会战争的明...

坦白说是被书名美国的诞生给吸引了，但实际上全书只是描述了1776年的战斗历程。华盛顿可以说是靠着坚韧不拔的意志力而非完美的战略战术指挥作战，好在英军统帅也是三心二意不够坚决，否则就没有现在的世界格局了。

整体翻译质量不错，但是有些小瑕疵还是不吐不快：1、P73第4段...

It is an amazing book by David McCullough who has won his Pulitzer Prize by the book of "John Adams". As an historian, McCullough concentrated on not only the astronomical (at least to me) collection of facts and evidence but also the organization of them...

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