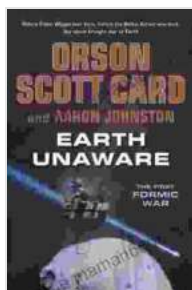


# Earth Unaware: The First Formic War

By Orson Scott Card

Earth Unaware is a science fiction novel by Orson Scott Card, published in 2012. It is a prequel to Card's 1985 novel Ender's Game, and tells the story of the first Formic War, a conflict between humanity and an alien species known as the Formics.



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The novel is set in the early 21st century, and follows the story of Mazer Rackham, a young man who is recruited by the International Fleet to fight in the war against the Formics. Mazer is a gifted strategist, and he quickly rises through the ranks, eventually becoming the commander of the Earth's forces.

The Formics are a highly intelligent and technologically advanced species, and they are a formidable enemy. The war is a long and bloody one, and

Earth suffers heavy losses. However, Mazer and his forces are eventually able to defeat the Formics, and save humanity from extinction.

Earth Unaware is a gripping and suspenseful science fiction novel. It is a must-read for fans of Ender's Game, and it is a great to Orson Scott Card's work for those who are new to his writing.

## Characters

- **Mazer Rackham:** A young man who is recruited by the International Fleet to fight in the war against the Formics. Mazer is a gifted strategist, and he quickly rises through the ranks, eventually becoming the commander of the Earth's forces.
- **Colonel Graff:** The commander of the International Fleet. Graff is a brilliant strategist, and he is the one who recruits Mazer to fight in the war.
- **Admiral Ackerson:** The commander of the Earth's forces in the Pacific Fleet. Ackerson is a brave and skilled commander, but he is also reckless and impulsive.
- **General Anderson:** The commander of the Earth's forces in the Atlantic Fleet. Anderson is a cautious and methodical commander, but he is also slow to make decisions.
- **Admiral Nimitz:** The commander of the Earth's forces in the Indian Ocean Fleet. Nimitz is a brilliant strategist, and he is the one who develops the plan that ultimately defeats the Formics.

## Themes

- **The importance of leadership:** Mazer Rackham is a great leader, and he is able to inspire his troops to fight for him. He is also able to make tough decisions, and he is willing to take risks in order to win the war.
- **The power of technology:** The Formics are a technologically advanced species, and they have a number of weapons that are superior to Earth's weapons. However, Mazer and his forces are able to overcome the Formics' technological优势 by using their own ingenuity and creativity.
- **The importance of hope:** The war against the Formics is a long and bloody one, and there are many times when it seems like Earth will lose. However, Mazer and his forces never give up hope, and they are ultimately able to defeat the Formics.

## Reception

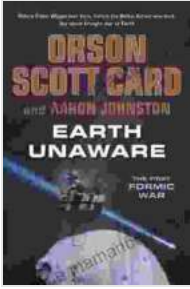
Earth Unaware has received positive reviews from critics. Publishers Weekly called it "a thrilling and suspenseful science fiction novel," and Booklist said that it "is a must-read for fans of Ender's Game." The novel was also nominated for the Nebula Award for Best Science Fiction Novel in 2012.

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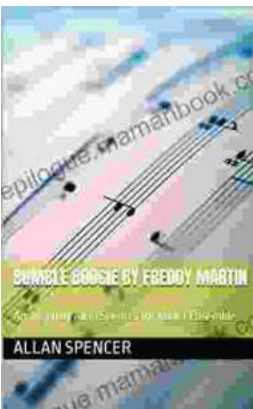


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