

"THESE SOLDIERS NEVER FIRED A SHOT IN WORLD WAR II, BUT THEIR EFFORTS SAVED COUNTLESS LIVES."

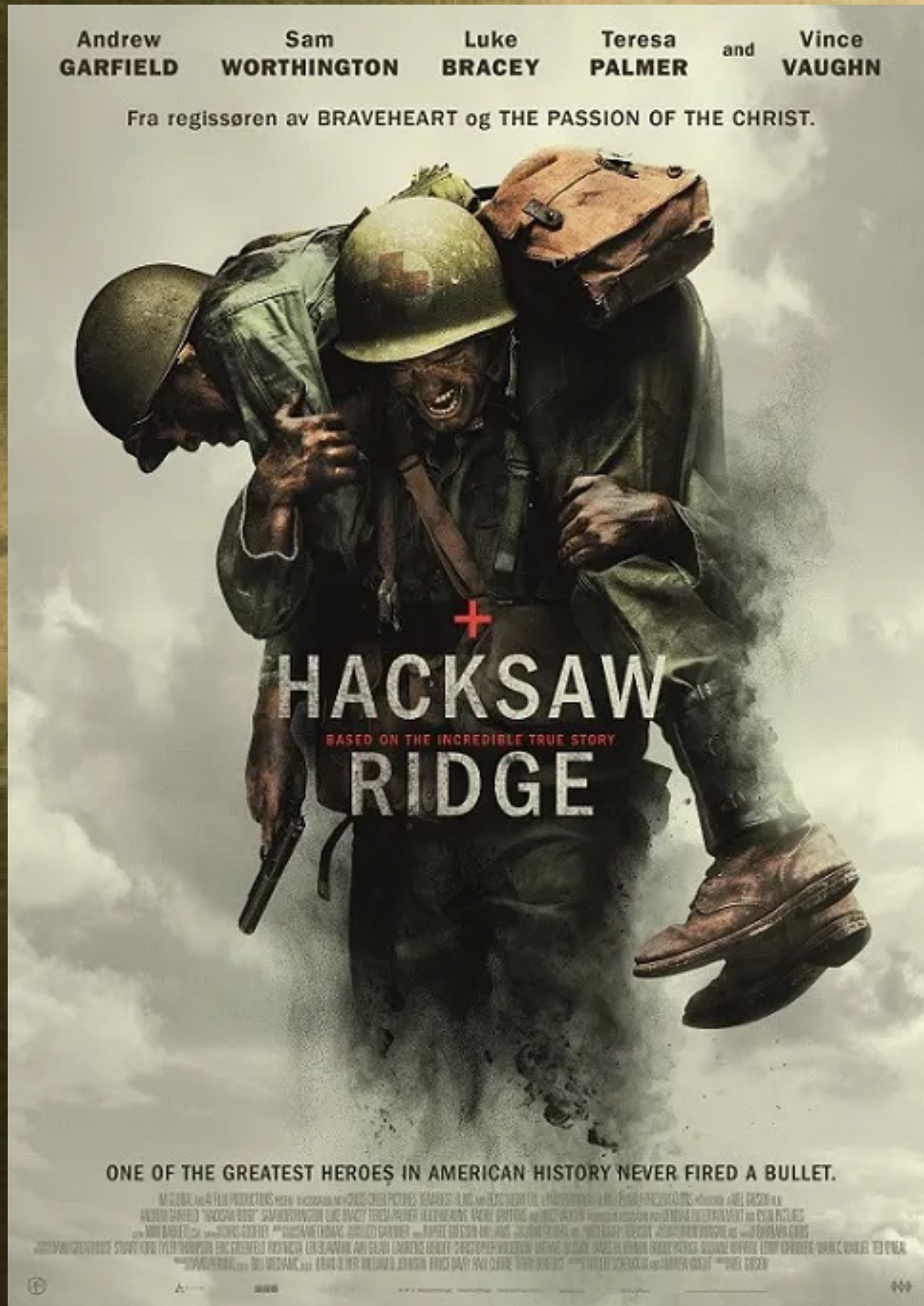
RITCHIE BOY

SCREENPLAY BY ALAN J. FIELD

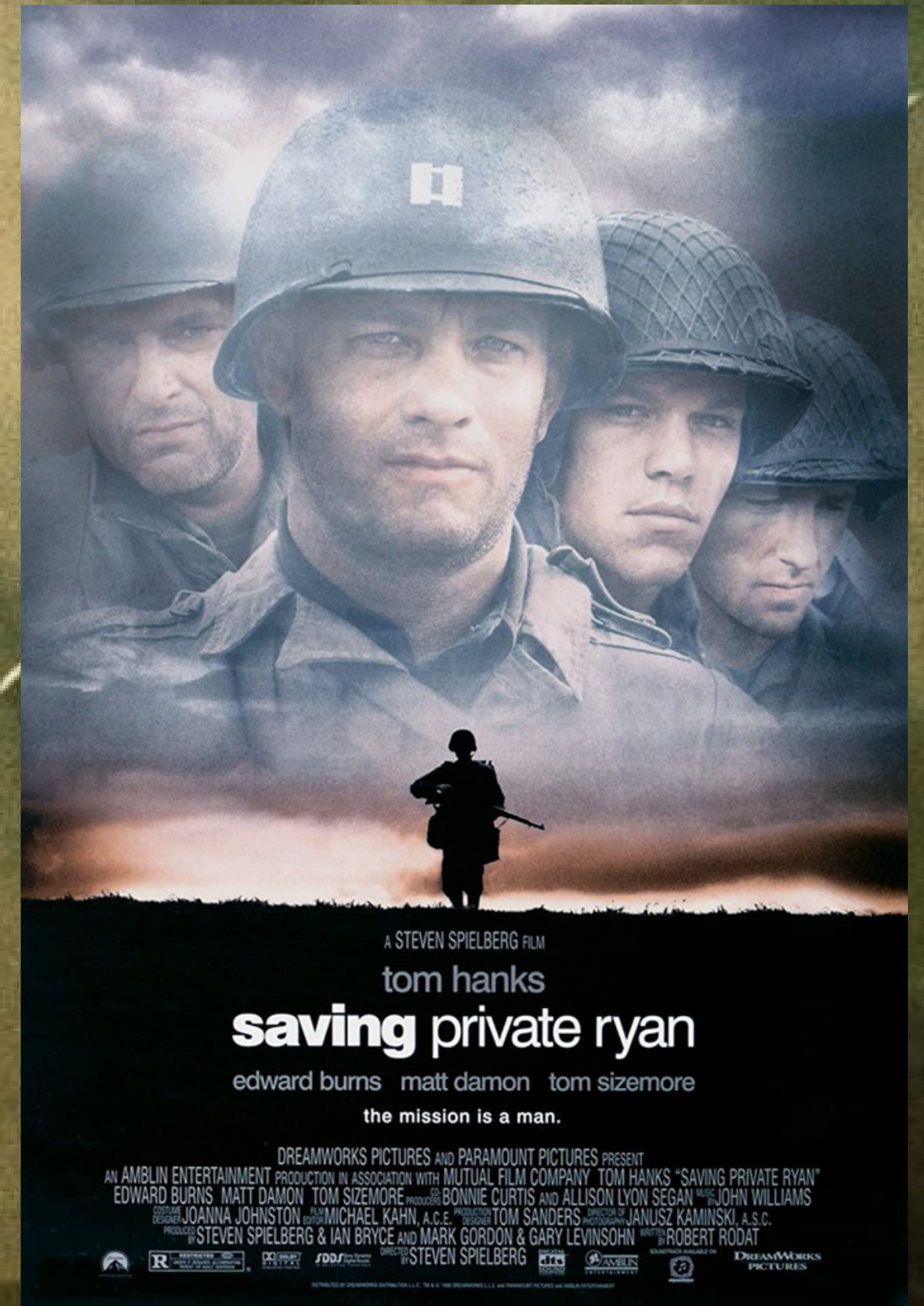
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A close-up photograph of a person's hand and forearm gripping a strand of barbed wire. The hand is clenched in a fist, with the fingers wrapped around the wire. The skin on the hand and forearm appears weathered and has some dark spots. On the inner side of the forearm, there is a dark, vertical tattoo that reads "D-13563". The background is a plain, light-colored wall. The overall tone is somber and evocative.

LOGLINE

INSPIRED BY TRUE EVENTS, A CONCENTRATION CAMP SURVIVOR WHO HAS ESCAPED THE CLUTCHES OF A SADISTIC NAZI COMMANDANT IS RECRUITED INTO A TOP-SECRET US ARMY TRAINING PROGRAM, ONLY TO BE CAPTURED BY THE SAME COMMANDANT WHO TORTURED HIM.

SYNOPSIS

ENGINEERING STUDENT GEORGE FELDMANN ENDURES TORTURE UNDER THE BRUTAL CONCENTRATION CAMP COMMANDANT KARL BRUNS, BEFORE HE IS RELEASED UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. FORCED TO LEAVE HIS FAMILY BEHIND, GEORGE MAKES HIS WAY TO AMERICA WHERE HE IS INITIALLY TREATED AS AN UNWELCOME IMMIGRANT.

AFTER PEARL HARBOR, THE US ARMY RECRUITS HIM INTO A TOP-SECRET TRAINING PROGRAM WHERE HE FORMS FRIENDSHIPS WITH THREE OTHER SOLDIERS. AFTER RIGOROUS TRAINING, THEY BECOME SKILLED INTERROGATORS ASSIGNED TO GATHER MILITARY INTELLIGENCE FROM THE GERMAN ARMY.

UNABLE TO WARN THE ALLIED FORCES ABOUT THE GERMAN ARMY'S SURPRISE ATTACK IN THE BELGIAN FOREST, GEORGE AND HIS TEAM ARE CAPTURED BY NONE OTHER THAN BRUNS, WHO EXECUTES TWO JEWISH MEMBERS OF THE TEAM.

THE US ARMY EVENTUALLY COMES TO RESCUE THE REMAINING MEMBERS, WHEREUPON GEORGE AGREES TO TESTIFY AGAINST BRUNS. THE COMMANDANT IS EVENTUALLY EXECUTED IN FRONT OF A FIRING SQUAD THAT INCLUDES GEORGE.

CHARACTERS



GEORGE FELDMANN

TOM HOLLAND



KARL BRUNS

TIMOTHEE CHALAMET



MURRAY ZAPPLER

ASA BUTTERFIELD



VIKTOR BELMONT

NCUTI GATWA



KURT JACOBS

FINN WOLFHARD

Casting ideas - Aspirational Talent Only

GEORGE FELDMANN

A DEEP THINKER WHOSE FAITH IN MATH AND SCIENCE GIVES HIM THE CONFIDENCE TO SOLVE ANY PROBLEM THAT COMES HIS WAY, HE IS CHALLENGED WHEN THE CERTAINTY OF THOSE DISCIPLINES CANNOT PROVIDE THE ANSWERS HE NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND HUMAN SUFFERING.

SERIOUS METHODOICAL SHY
LOGICAL STUDIOUS INDUSTRIOUS



KARL BEAUNS

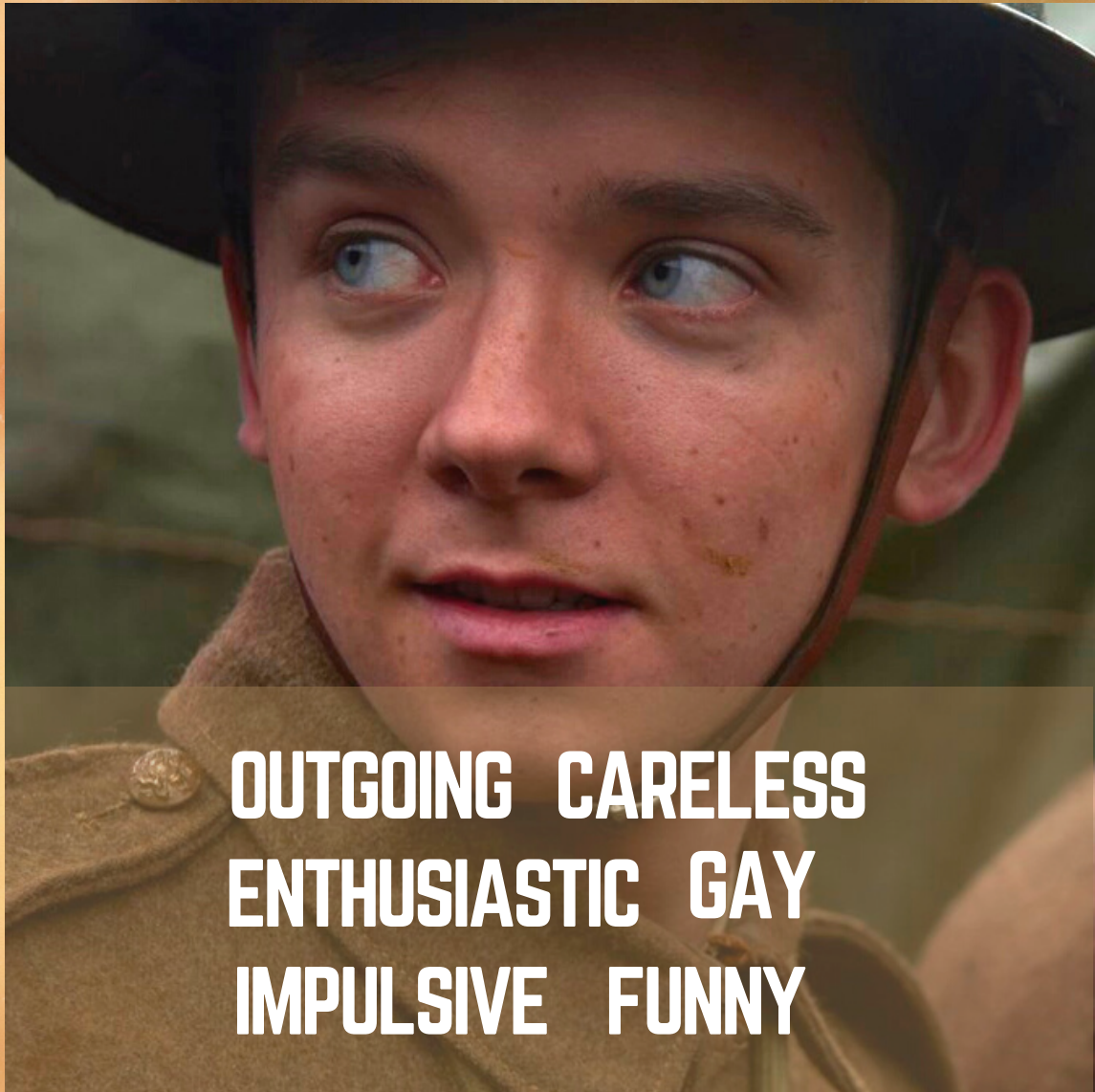
AS A NAZI SOLDIER WHO GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND EXPECTATIONS, HIS EAGERNESS TO IMPRESS HIS SUPERIORS EMBOLDENS HIS BRUTALITY. EVEN IN A LOSING CAUSE, HE IS DEDICATED TO THE FATHERLAND AND THE TWISTED IDEALS IT REPRESENTS.

SADISTIC OVERCONFIDENT

SELF-RIGHTEOUS

LOYAL INQUISITIVE PROUD

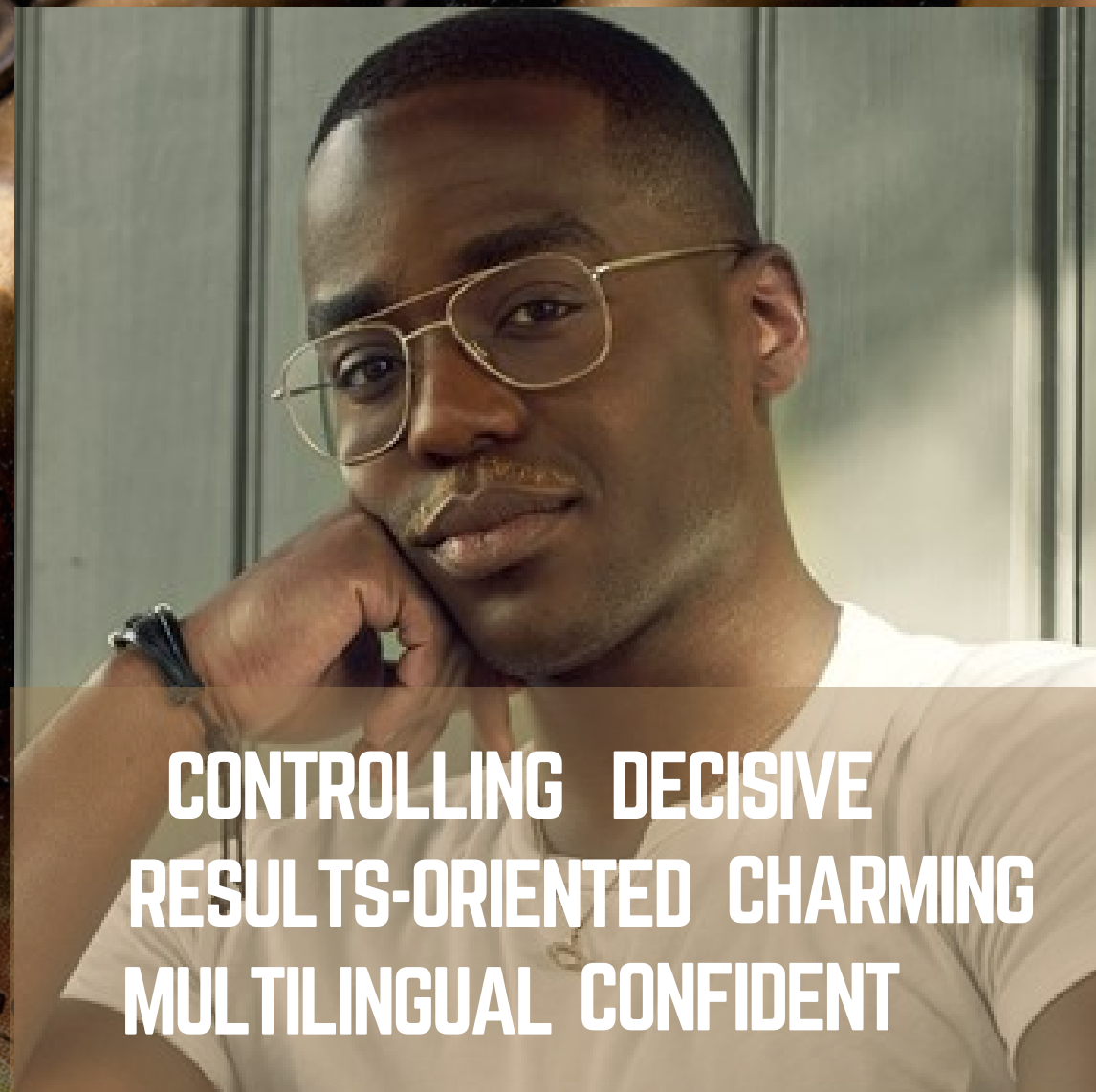




**OUTGOING CARELESS
ENTHUSIASTIC GAY
IMPULSIVE FUNNY**

MURRAY ZAPPLER

**QUICK WITH A JOKE AND WILLING TO
THROW CAUTION TO THE WIND FOR THE
SAKE OF INDIVIDUAL EXPRESSION, HE
NEEDS TO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE
SOME RISKS NOT WORTH TAKING.**



**CONTROLLING DECISIVE
RESULTS-ORIENTED CHARMING
MULTILINGUAL CONFIDENT**

VIKTOR BELMONT

**A POTENTIAL DIPLOMAT WHO IS ADEPT IN
SOCIAL SITUATIONS, HIS CHARM AND GOOD
GRACES MAKE HIM A NATURAL LEADER
ALTHOUGH HE NEEDS TO LEARN HOW TO
SHARE POWER ON THE BATTLEFIELD.**



**CREATIVE EMPATHETIC
DISARMING FATALISTIC
COOPERATIVE THOUGHTFUL**

KURT JACOBS

**A CALMING PRESENCE WHO POSSESSES
RESOLUTE INSIGHT, YET A STRONG BELIEF
IN HIS OWN INDIVIDUALITY CLOUDS HIS
ABILITY TO CHANGE HIS MIND EVEN WHEN
EXTERNAL SIGNALS INDICATE THAT DOING
SO COULD BENEFIT HIM.**



DACHAU CONCENTRATION CAMP MUNICH, GERMANY

**BARBED WIRE SURROUNDS THE ENTIRE
INSTALLATION, WHILE A FRIGID, MUDDY
COURTYARD IN THE CENTER IS USED FOR
INMATE CALISTHENICS AND EXECUTIONS.**

INTERROGATION TENTS

**MANY SCENES TAKE PLACE IN CONFINING
INTERROGATION TENTS, WITHIN WHICH ONLY
A SINGLE OVERHEAD LAMP PROVIDES LIGHT.**

CAMP RITCHIE ARMY BASE, THURMONT, MARYLAND

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**A BUCOLIC LOCATION IN THE MARYLAND
MOUNTAINS, WITH A SIZABLE PARADE
GROUND NESTLED BESIDE THE PRISTINE
LAKE ROYER.**

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ORIGINAL RITCHIE BOYS



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The Ritchie Boys consisted of approximately 15,200 servicemen who were trained for U.S. Army Intelligence during WWII at the secret Camp Ritchie training facility.

Many of the Ritchie Boys went on to have successful civilian careers, including J.D. Salinger, author of the classic book "The Catcher in the Rye."



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