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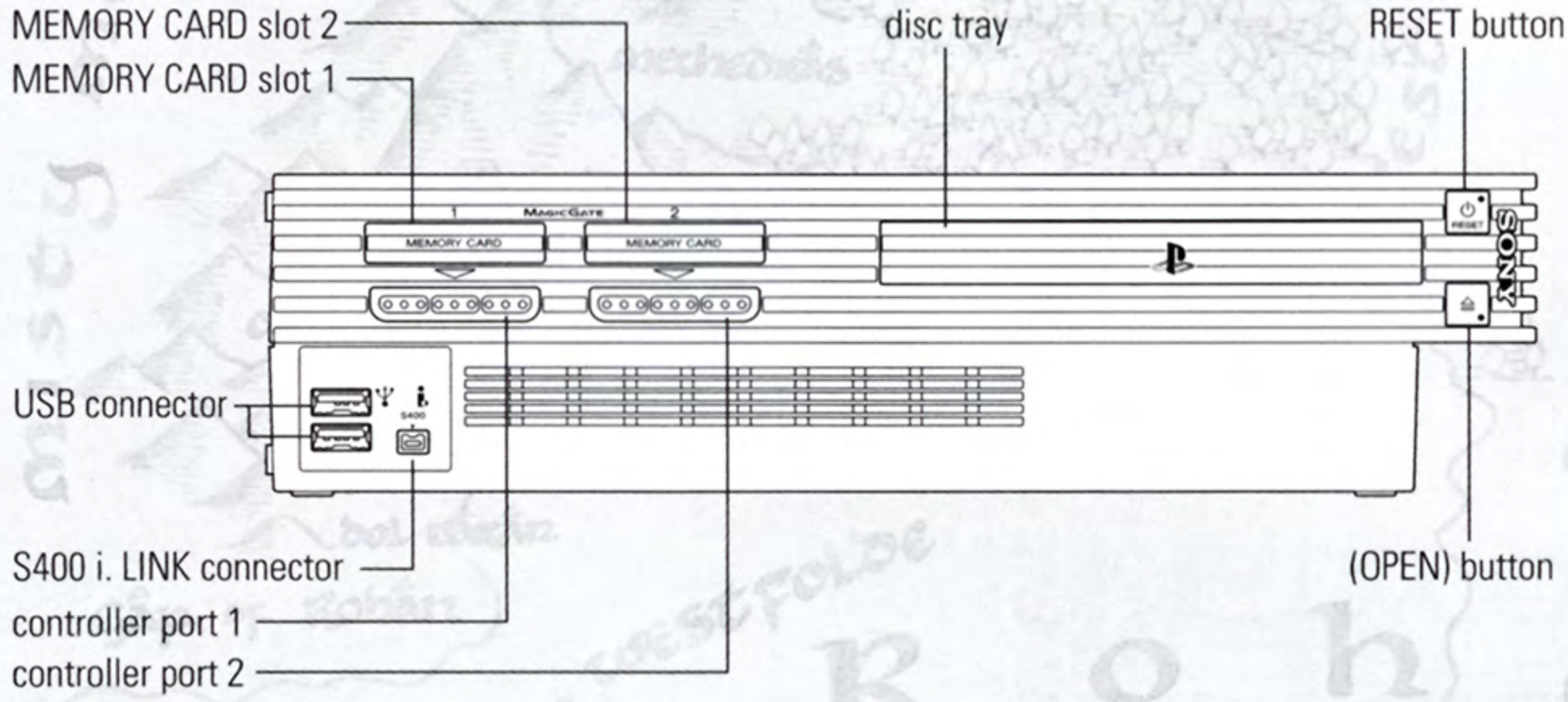
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GETTING STARTED

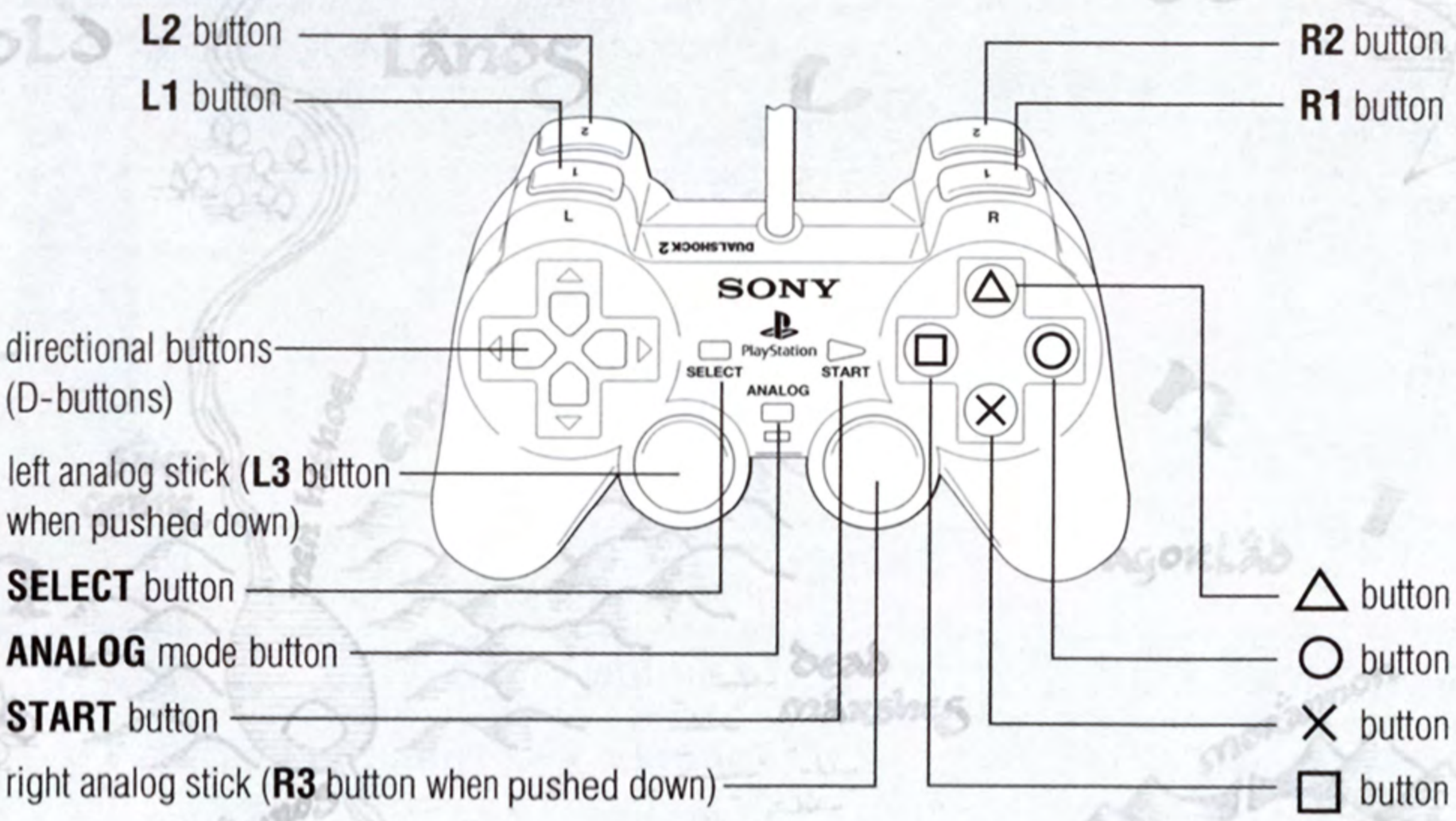
PLAYSTATION®2 COMPUTER ENTERTAINMENT SYSTEM



1. Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual.
2. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located at the back of the console) is turned on.
3. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the open button and the disc tray will open.
4. Place the *The Lord of the Rings™; The Return of the King™* disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the open button again and the disc tray will close.
5. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate.
6. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

COMMAND REFERENCE

DUALSHOCK®2 ANALOG CONTROLLER CONFIGURATIONS



COMPLETE CONTROLS

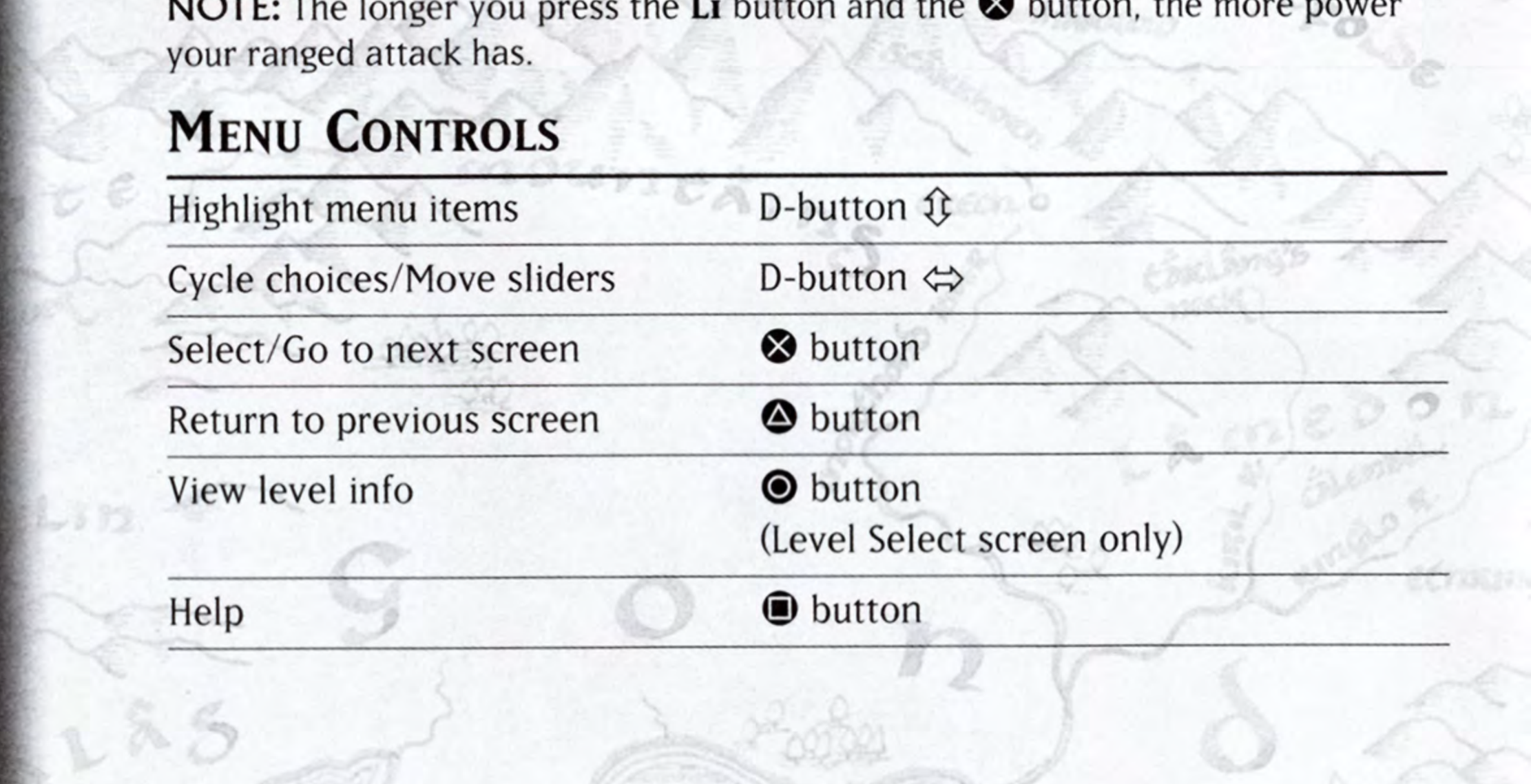
GAMEPLAY CONTROLS

Move	left analog stick
Speed Attack	⊗ button or right analog stick ⇔
Fierce Attack	△ button or right analog stick ⇕
Physical Attack	○ button
Parry	□ button
Action Button	**R1** button
Killing Move	**R2** button
Ranged Attack	Hold the **L1** button to activate the ranged attack, then press the ⊗ button to fire
Jump Back	**L2** button
Special Ability	**R1** button + **R2** button + **L1** button + **L2** button
Pause Game	**START** button

NOTE: The longer you press the **L1** button and the ⊗ button, the more power your ranged attack has.

MENU CONTROLS

Highlight menu items	D-button ⇕
Cycle choices/Move sliders	D-button ⇔
Select/Go to next screen	⊗ button
Return to previous screen	△ button
View level info	○ button (Level Select screen only)
Help	□ button



ATTACKS

Use these basic attacks to defeat even the fiercest foes.

Speed Attack — Take a very quick swipe at your foe.

Fierce Attack — Strike with a solid blow that can shatter the stoutest shield.

Ranged Attack — Fire an arrow, throw an axe, or shoot with your staff by activating your ranged weapon.

Killing Move — Finish off a fallen enemy with this fatal blow.

Physical Attack — Attack an enemy with a punch, kick, or a push to the ground.

Parry — Defend yourself against enemy attacks and arrows with a well-timed parry.

Jump Back — Escape painful blows by jumping out of harm's way.

Action Button — Perform actions such as firing catapults, raising drawbridges, or picking up war pikes.

Special Ability — Activates the unique ability each character possesses.

COMBOS

Your character begins the game with two simple combination moves.

SPEED COMBO — ⊗ button, ⊗ button, ⊗ button.

FIERCE COMBO — △ button, △ button.

- Many advanced moves can be purchased as upgrades.
- When some combos are successfully executed, the power of the attack harms all enemies in the immediate area, often knocking them down.

Orc Bane — Successful Parry then press the **R2** button.

Orc Hewer — ⊗ button ⊗ button, △ button.

Ranger Fury — △ button (hold and release).

NOTE: These attacks must be purchased with experience points before they are available for use.

ORC BANE — A Linked Attack instantly kills an enemy, but must begin with a successful parry.

ORC HEWER — An effective combo for taking out unshielded foes.

RANGER FURY — Press and hold the △ button or the right analog stick ⇧. This attack takes time, and your character remains in place while charging up the necessary power to pull it off. Once fully charged, let go of the △ button or right analog stick to unleash the attack.

INTRODUCTION

The Fellowship of the Ring formed to save Middle-earth from the treacherous power of The One Ring. From the Council of Elrond in Rivendell they set forth on their journey towards Mordor to destroy The One Ring in the fires of Mount Doom. Many challenges assailed the Fellowship, from Ringwraiths to legions of Orcs to the fearsome Balrog that took the great wizard Gandalf the Grey from their ranks. However, hope ultimately prevailed and the Fellowship kept true to its path.

That is, until the Fellowship split apart as they neared the dangers of Mordor. In the forests of Fangorn, Aragorn, Legolas, and Gimli met up once again with a reborn Gandalf the White and traveled to the lands of Rohan. There, a great battle occurred at Helm's Deep between men and the wizard Saruman's forces of evil. To the East, the hobbits Frodo and Sam searched for a way into Mordor with the destruction of The One Ring in the forefront of their minds.

As the hobbits draw closer to Mount Doom, Aragorn, Gimli, Legolas, and Gandalf travel by various roads to Gondor to aid the men of Middle-earth in preparing a desperate last stand against the unspeakable forces of evil. Against the gates of Minas Tirith, they expect Sauron to unleash thousands of troops to quickly snuff out the hopes of all free people. To withstand the unrelenting forces of Sauron, the members of the Fellowship know the destruction of The One Ring is the only thing that can save them. Will Gondor prevail? Will Frodo and Sam make it to the fires of Mount Doom? In this final chapter of *The Lord of the Rings*, the fate of Middle-earth is in your hands.

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THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

Where will you go and what might you encounter along the way? Choose a character and set out upon your quest.

MAIN MENU

Enter into single or multiplayer battles from the Main menu.

NOTE: If no game has been saved, you must first successfully complete the Helm's Deep level to access the Main menu.



SINGLE PLAYER Defeat Sauron's minions in a series of single-player levels.

CO-OP Team up with a friend to defend Middle-earth cooperatively.

OPTIONS Adjust volume, subtitle, vibration, and difficulty settings.

CREDITS View the game's credits.

ONLINE Fight cooperatively with a friend over an Internet connection.

To start a single player game:

1. Select SINGLE PLAYER in the Main menu. The Single Player menu appears.
2. Select NEW GAME in the Single Player menu. The Difficulty Select screen appears.
3. Select a difficulty level – EASY, **NORMAL**, or HARD – and press the ⊗ button. The battle for Helm's Deep begins automatically.

✸ For more information on cooperative and online gameplay,

➤ *Multiplayer* on p. 13.

Level Selection

Chose your level and enter into the fray. There are three story paths you may choose. The center path (The Path of the King) in the Level Selection screen is for Aragorn, Legolas, and Gimli. The right-hand path (The Path of the Hobbits) is for Frodo and Sam. The left-hand path (The Path of the Wizard) is for Gandalf. The level you chose determines which characters you can play in order to complete the level.

- Once you have successfully completed the battle for Helm's Deep, the Level Selection screen appears.
- To select a level, highlight it and press the ⊗ button.
- Unlock new level by winning the previous level.
- Once you complete the full game, you are able to replay a level as any of the characters.
- Many extras are also available from the Level Selection screen, including interviews and secret levels. The more you achieve in the game, the more you unlock.

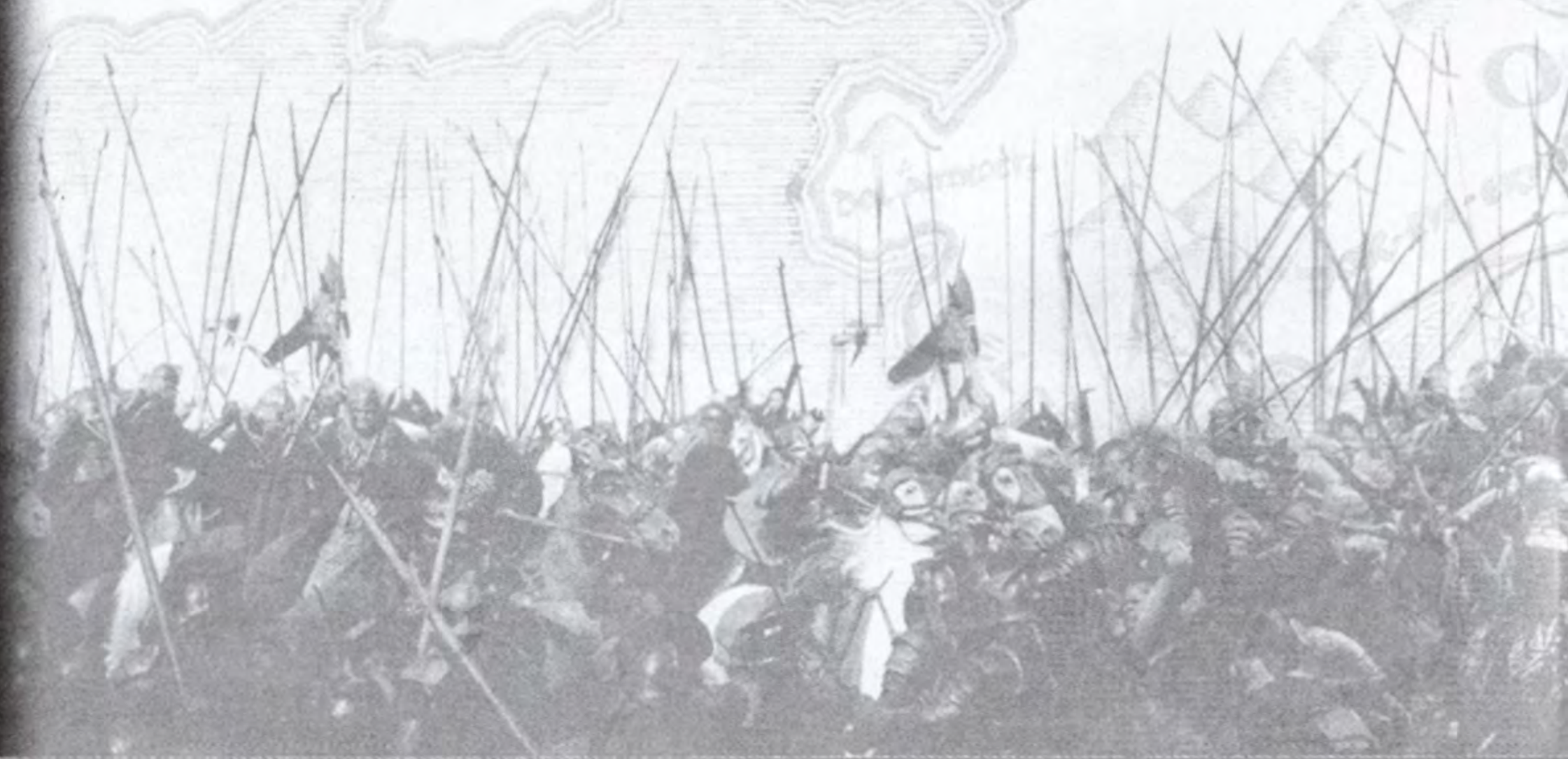
Character Selection

There are three character paths. The path you choose determines which characters you may play in a given level.

- Once you have chosen a level, the Character Selection screen appears.
- To cycle through available characters, press the D-button ⇔.
- To select a highlighted character, press the ⊗ button.

NOTE: Only characters that are highlighted can be selected.

- Hidden characters are unlocked as you advance through the game.



OPTIONS

Adjust sound, controller, and difficulty settings from the Options menu.

- To access the Options menu, select OPTIONS in the Main menu and press the ⊗ button.

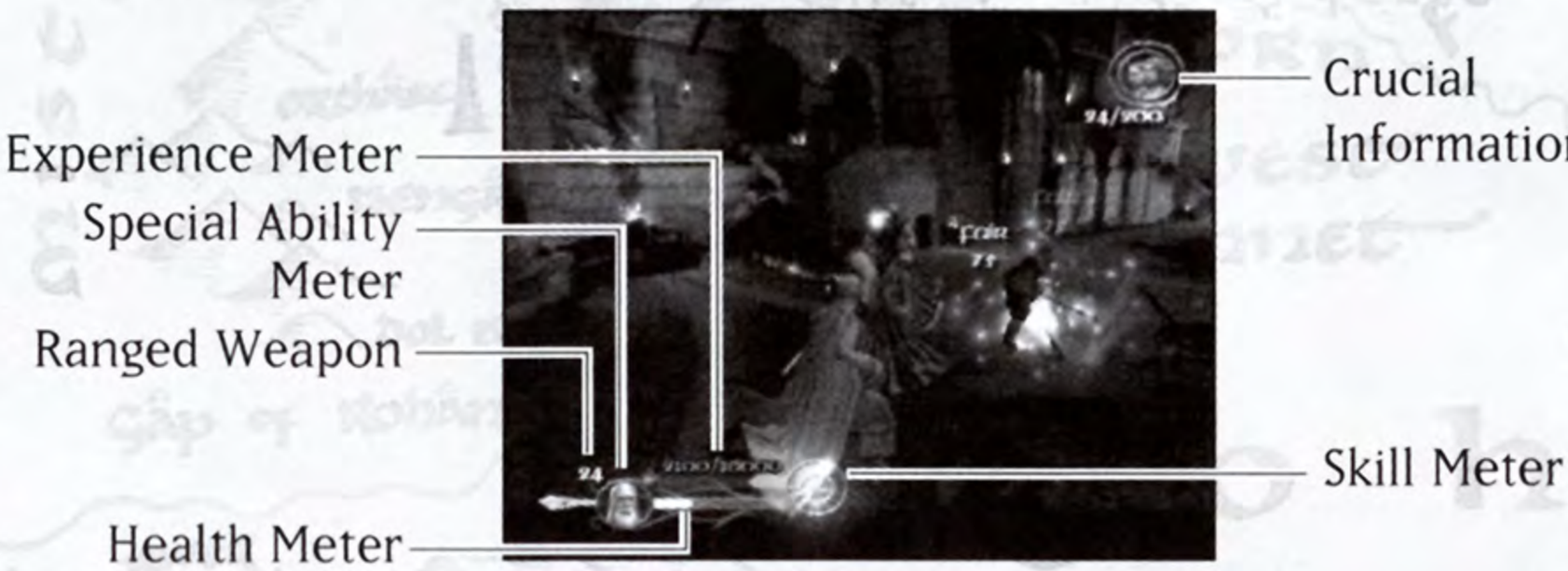
MUSIC VOLUME	Make the background music louder or softer.
VOICEOVER VOLUME	Adjust the volume of the character's voices.
SUBTITLES	Turn in-game subtitles ON or **OFF**.
VIBRATION	Turn the controller vibration feature **ON** or OFF.
DIFFICULTY	Select between EASY, **NORMAL**, or HARD.

PLAYING THE GAME

To defeat Sauron's evil forces, you must use all the cunning, courage, and talents at your disposal.

GAMEPLAY SCREEN

Mastering the gameplay screen is the first step towards saving Middle-earth.



Health Meter As you take damage, your Health Meter depletes. When the bar is completely empty, you are defeated.

Experience Meter Experience points are awarded each time you defeat an enemy. This allows you to gain levels and access more powerful skills.

Special Ability Meter You can use your character's Special Ability by pressing the **L1**, **L2**, **R1**, and **R2** buttons simultaneously. The special ability will be active for a short period of time (the character icon will begin to white out). You will need to wait for the ability to recharge, when the character icon is in full color, before using it again.

Ranged Weapon As you use your ranged weapon, this number will decrease until more ammunition is picked up.

Skill Meter Earn higher ratings and experience points by stringing together successful hits. These experience points can be redeemed for upgrades. There are four ratings: Fair, Good, Excellent, and Perfect. If the Perfect rating is achieved, all your attacks cause additional damage for a brief period of time and the experience received for each kill is doubled.

Crucial Information One or more gauges can appear in the upper right hand corner of the screen. These gauges can represent things like the paths you must take, tasks you must accomplish, or enemies you must slay.

- Parrying is a vital part of swordplay. It deflects incoming arrows, prevents damage if outnumbered, and when done successfully, allows you to perform instant killing moves.
- Jumping back from enemies can help you keep the health you already have.
- Walking over potions can restore lost health.

PAUSE MENU

Even the fiercest warrior needs a break from battle.

✹ To pause the game mid-battle, press the **START** button.

Resume	Continue gameplay where you left off.
Mission Tips	Get tips and advice on completing the level.
Show Upgrades	See a list of your current upgrades.
Options	Access sound, controller vibration, and difficulty settings.
Exit to Menu	Quit the current level and return to the Level Selection screen.

COMPLETING YOUR TASK

Determine how well you completed your level's objectives.

Scoring Results Screen

At the end of each level, this screen summarizes your accomplishments.



❖ Completing a level gains you experience points. These are redeemable for new skills and abilities.

✹ To accept your earned experience points and move on to the Upgrades screen, select CONTINUE and press the ⊗ button.

✹ To replay the last level, select REPLAY and press the ⊗ button.

NOTE: You can always replay a level later by selecting it from the Level Selection screen (➤ p. 8).



UPGRADES

Improve your skills by spending your acquired experience points.



Character

Description of Highlighted Skill

Character Level

Current Experience points

Upgrades

Button Combination

- To scroll through the list of possible upgrades, press the D-button ⇳. The skills, and the experience points required to obtain them, are highlighted.
- To toggle between Fellowship upgrades and Character upgrades, highlight either by pressing the D-button ⇔.
- Upgrades are purchased based on experience level. If a character wishes to purchase an upgrade, he must reach the experience level required by that upgrade in order to do so.
- Fellowship upgrades benefit all playable characters that have reached the experience level required by the upgrade. Character upgrades benefit only the character it was intended for.
- When a Fellowship upgrade is purchased, each member of the Fellowship must reach the indicated level before they can use it.
- To purchase an upgrade, highlight it and press the ⊗ button. A prompt appears asking if you wish to confirm your selection. Select YES and press the ⊗ button. The skill is upgraded.
- Be sure you have enough experience points to afford a desired skill.



COOPERATIVE MULTIPLAYER

Form your own Fellowship with a friend and defend Middle-earth.

COOPERATIVE GAMEPLAY

Fight cooperatively with a friend.

To start a cooperative multiplayer game:

1. Select CO-OP in the Main menu. The Co-op menu appears.
2. Select NEW GAME in the Co-op menu and press the ⊗ button. The Level Selection screen appears.
3. Select a difficulty level — EASY, **NORMAL**, or HARD — and press the ⊗ button.
4. Choose the level you wish to play and press the ⊗ button. The Character Selection screen appears.
5. Select the character for player one, then select the character for player two. Gameplay begins.

✹ To toggle ON or OFF the 1P and 2P player indicators during cooperative gameplay, press the **SELECT** button.

❖ In cooperative gameplay, the game is over only when both characters have died or one character dies after all available re-spawns have been used up.

ONLINE MULTIPLAYER

Form your own Fellowship with friends via the Internet.

To access online gameplay:

1. Select ONLINE in the Main menu. The Online menu appears.
2. Select a game save and press the ⊗ button. Your upgraded characters and unlocked levels are available for online play.

NOTE: You must have a saved game in order to play *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King* online.

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Select Network Configuration

NOTE: To play online, you must own and install a Network Adaptor (Ethernet/Modem) (for PlayStation®2), an active Internet service provider (ISP) account, and a memory card (8 MB) (for PlayStation®2) with at least 256KB free space.

Before you can begin playing online, you must select Your Network Configuration file (found on your memory card) or create a new one through the included Network Configuration GUI.

NOTE: After using the included Network Configuration GUI, the RESET button functions differently in *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King*. To put the console into standby mode press and hold the RESET button until the LED indicates a red color.

Network Configuration File

Press the D-button ⇔ to scroll through the available Internet service provider settings and select one for the upcoming Online game.

NOTE: *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King* is compatible with broadband only.

Create New/Edit Internet Service Provider Settings

The Network Configuration GUI allows you to create and edit Your Network Configuration file. When selected, the game shuts down while the Network Configuration GUI is loaded. When complete, the game re-launches itself.

Connect

After selecting an Internet service provider setting, the game connects to your Internet service provider. If the connection is successful, the *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King* Server Login screen appears.

Account Setup

Before you play online, you must first register for an EA Online account.

- If you have already created an account, press the D-button, highlight your existing EA Online account and then press the ⊗ button.

NOTE: *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King* supports a USB keyboard for entering account data and for communicating with other players while you are in the Game Lobby.

To create an account:

1. Select Create New EA Online Account from the Select EA Online Account menu and press the ⊗ button. The Setup New Account screen appears.
2. Select Account Name and press the ⊗ button to access the keyboard. The keyboard screen appears.
3. Enter your name by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished typing your name, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. The Setup New Account screen appears.
4. Select PASSWORD and press the ⊗ button. The Password screen appears.
5. Enter your password by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished typing your password, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. The Setup New Account screen appears.
6. Select CONFIRM PASSWORD and press the ⊗ button. The Confirm Password screen appears.
7. Enter your password again by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. The Setup New Account screen appears.
8. Select SAVE and press the D-button ⇔ to choose to save your ACCOUNT NAME ONLY, YOUR NAME AND PASSWORD, or NO.
9. Select CONTINUE and press the ⊗ button. The SETUP NEW ACCOUNT (PART 2 OF 3) screen appears.
10. Select EMAIL ADDRESS and press the ⊗ button. The Enter E-mail Address screen appears.
11. Enter your email address by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. .
12. Press the D-button ⇔ to select the month, day, and year of your birth date and your gender. Select CONTINUE and press the ⊗ button to continue.
13. Press the D-button ⇔ to confirm that you've read the Terms of Service Agreement, select whether or not you wish to receive e-mails from EA GAMES, and whether or not you wish to share your info with premium EA game content partners. Select REGISTER and press the ⊗ button. Your account is created.

Accessing the Online Main menu with an Existing EA Account

To access the Online Main menu using your default EA Account:

1. From the Main menu, select ONLINE and press the ⊗ button. Select a game to load and press the ⊗ button. The Select Network Configuration screen appears.
2. Select an Internet service provider setting and press the ⊗ button. The Select EA Online Account screen appears with any previously saved EA Accounts displayed.

3. Select USE and press the ⊗ button.
4. Enter your password if it was not saved, select DONE and press the ⊗ button. Your EA Account is loaded and the Select Online Profile Name screen appears.

✸ Your EA Account only defaults once you've saved it.

To select a different EA Account:

1. From the Main menu, select ONLINE and press the ⊗ button. Select a game to load and press the ⊗ button. The Select Network Configuration screen appears.
2. Select an Internet service provider setting and press the ⊗ button. The Select EA Online Account screen appears.
3. Select Use Existing EA Online Account and press the ⊗ button. The Use Existing Account screen appears.
4. Select ACCOUNT NAME and press the ⊗ button. The Keyboard appears.
5. Enter your name by pressing the D-button ⇔ to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished typing, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. The Use Existing Account screen appears.
6. Select PASSWORD and press the ⊗ button. The Keyboard appears.
7. Enter your password by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished typing, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm. The Use Existing Account screen appears.
8. Select LOGIN press the ⊗ button. You are logged in and the Online Main menu appears.

About Your Online Profile Name

While in the Online Lobby, you are identified by your Online Profile Name. This name is different from the EA Account name and is set up as part of the login process. Each EA Account can have up to four online profiles. The first time you login, you will be asked to create a new online profile.

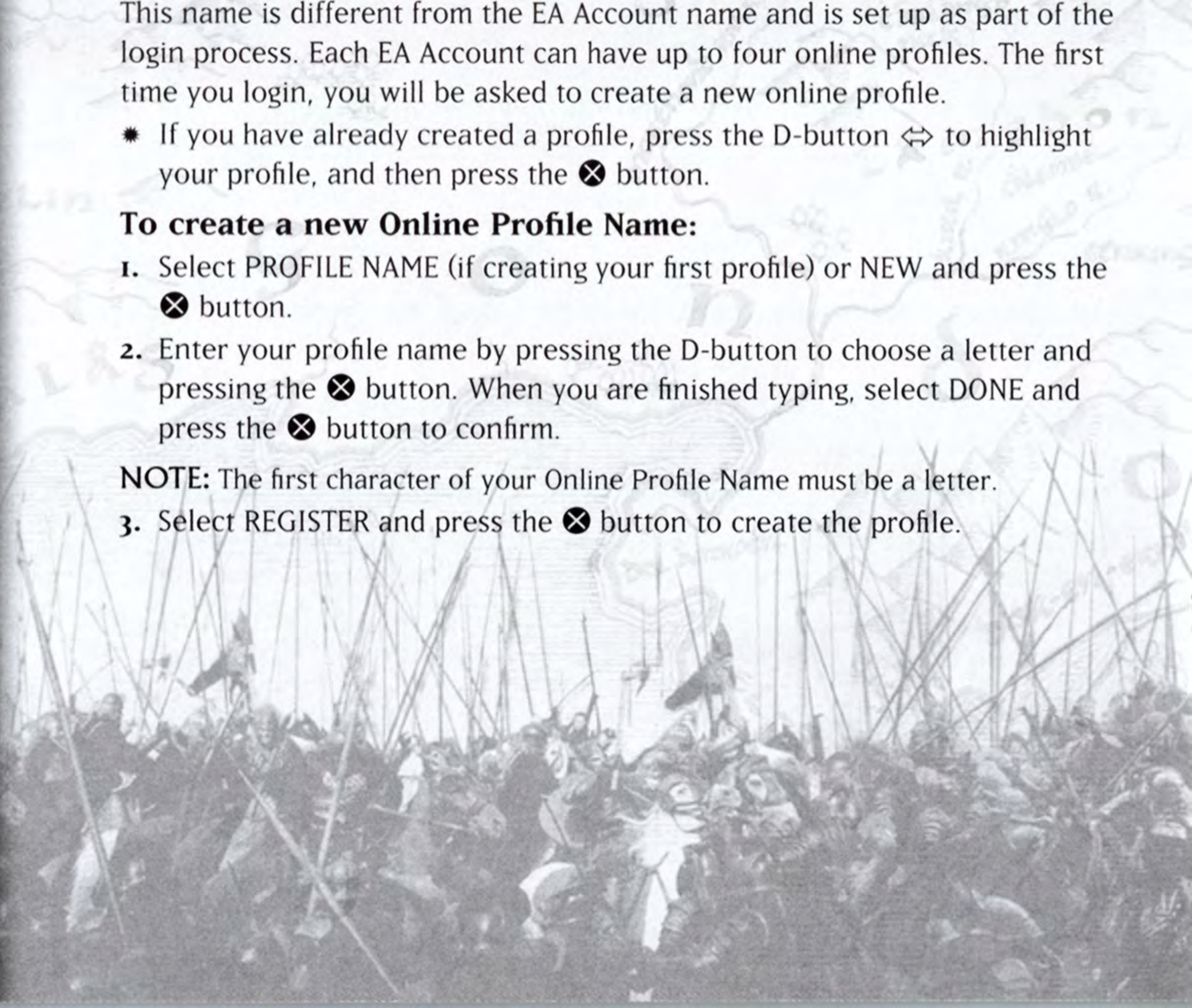
✸ If you have already created a profile, press the D-button ⇔ to highlight your profile, and then press the ⊗ button.

To create a new Online Profile Name:

1. Select PROFILE NAME (if creating your first profile) or NEW and press the ⊗ button.
2. Enter your profile name by pressing the D-button to choose a letter and pressing the ⊗ button. When you are finished typing, select DONE and press the ⊗ button to confirm.

NOTE: The first character of your Online Profile Name must be a letter.

3. Select REGISTER and press the ⊗ button to create the profile.



Online Main Menu

Instant Matchup — Instantly join an online multiplayer game with the next available player.

Matchup Lobbies — Select a level and a character and enter into multiplayer gameplay.

News — Get news on *The Lord of the Rings; The Return of the King* online community.

❖ Experience gained online does not benefit your single-player campaign.

NOTE: In order to play online your console will form a connection to the console of the user that you are playing with. If you have a router or firewall you may not be able to connect. If you experience problems you may need to open UDP port 3658 to Internet traffic. Please note that opening up any port in your router or firewall could compromise the internal security of your network.

Instant Matchup

Don't want to wait too long to play online? Select Instant Matchup.

To play an Instant Matchup game:

✹ Select INSTANT MATCHUP in the Online Main menu and press the ⊗ button. The game checks the server for a suitable matchup partner and gameplay begins.

Matchup Lobbies

Enter a room and forge a new Fellowship.



❖ In a game lobby, you can review each player's connection and game information before sending messages or challenges. Next to each player's name, you can see a set of lights. Each light represents a player's connection speed to the Internet. A player with more lights has a faster connection. Green indicates a fast connection while yellow and red suggest a slower connection.

To start a game:

1. Select MATCHUP LOBBIES in the Online Main menu and press the ⊗ button.
2. Select an online game room by pressing the D-button to scroll through the Room List and then press the ⊗ button to join the room.

- To create your own room, press the **SELECT** button. Enter the name of the room, and give it a password if needed. To create the room, highlight REGISTER and press ⊗ button.

3. Invite a player to join you in a multiplayer game by pressing the ⊗ button on his or her name, choosing invite, and pressing the ⊗ button. Select a level by pressing the D-button ⇔. Then press the D-button ⇩ and select your character by pressing the D-button ⇔. Then select INVITE and press the ⊗ button. Once the other player accepts, gameplay begins.

EA Messenger

Find your friends online—or discover new ones.

- To open your EA Messenger, press the ◎ button.
- To find a user in EA Messenger, press the **SELECT** button.
- To send a message to a buddy, highlight their name and press the **R3** button.

To add a new buddy to your buddy list, find the buddy or while in a game room, select their name, then press the ⊗ button. Select ADD BUDDY and press the ⊗ button.

Voice Over IP

If you own a supported USB headset, you can talk with your friends while engaging in multiplayer online play.

- To access voice over IP, connect your USB headset. Voice over IP capability is always on by default.
- To toggle the microphone ON or OFF, press the **R3** button.

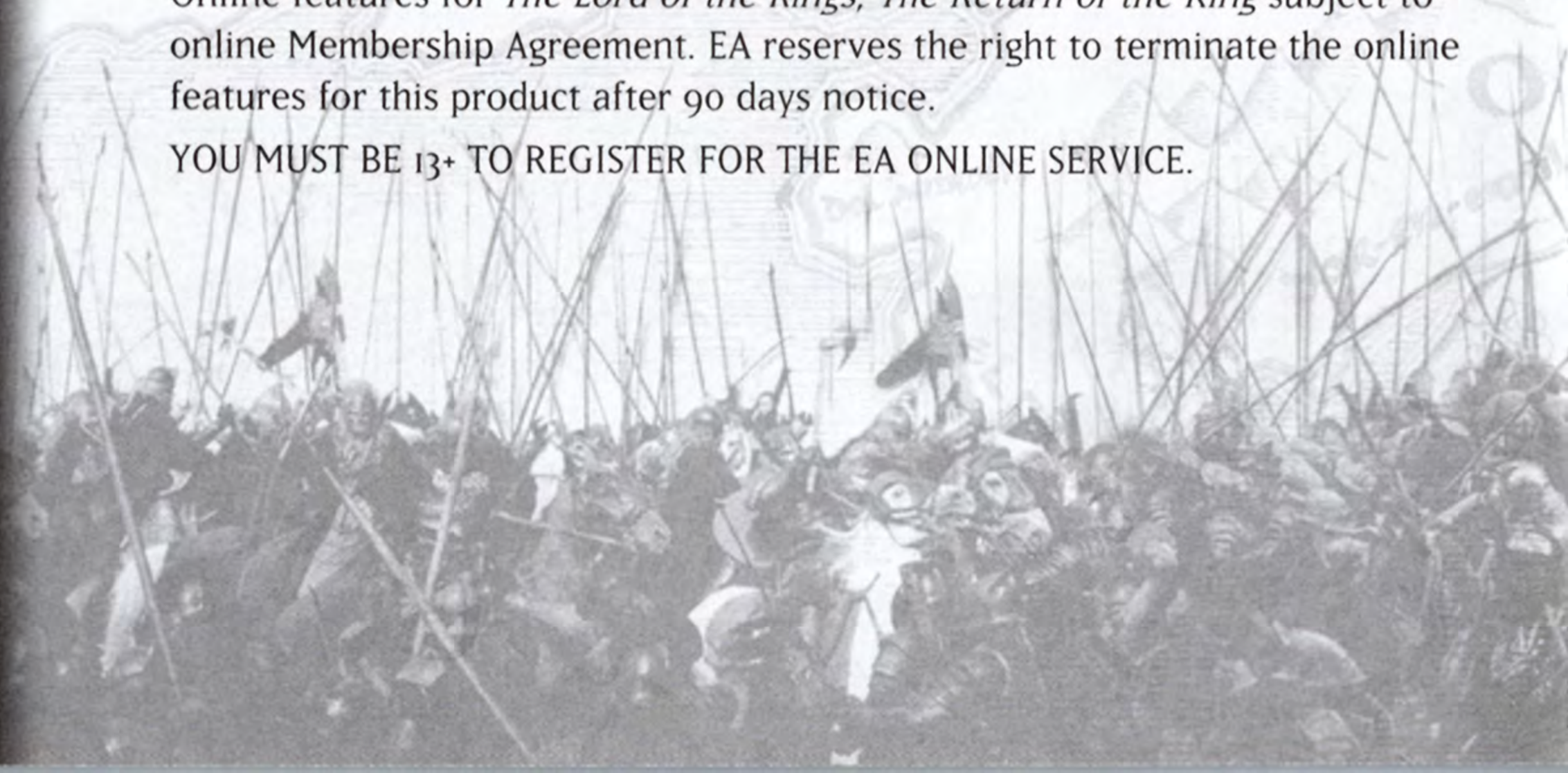
❖ Users with a supported USB headset are indicated by display text in the lobby.

NOTE: The headset is active only when in-game, not while in the online lobby.

AN INTERNET CONNECTION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS FEATURE.

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YOU MUST BE 13+ TO REGISTER FOR THE EA ONLINE SERVICE.



HEROES

Get to know the members of the Fellowship.

GANDALF



Gandalf knows that desperate plans are required as the specter of darkness grows over Middle-earth and Sauron's armies issue forth from Mordor to destroy the world of Men. The White Wizard liberates Rohan and the war is turned toward Minas Tirith, the last great stronghold of free people, where he intends to distract Sauron's gaze with a final, bold defense.

As an advisor of Men, Gandalf musters the defenses of Gondor to stand firm in the face of darkness. As a warrior on the battlefield, Gandalf conjures shockwaves with his staff to knock enemies aside and then with his sword, he slays them with ease. But victory cannot be won by force of arms alone, and Gandalf's plans are meant to buy time, knowing all hope rests in the success of Frodo's quest.

ARAGORN

As the last descendant of the Kings of Men, Aragorn is fated to claim the long-empty throne of Gondor, should he prove worthy of this task. But to fulfill his destiny, Aragorn must first pass through the Paths of the Dead and attempt to command horrible foes who once betrayed Gondor. Then he must return to Minas Tirith and fight Sauron's hoard in defense of this besieged city. And, should he survive this path, Aragorn must at last face The Dark Lord's servants before the very gates of Mordor.



As a Ranger and Elf friend, Aragorn's ability with the bow allows him to defeat opponents at long range. His true prowess, however, lies in close combat. Wielding a reforged Narsil, the legendary sword that defeated Sauron, Aragorn is a deadly combatant on the battlefield, easily defeating multiple foes.



LEGOLAS

Although the Fellowship that set forth from Rivendell has been divided, still the friendship that binds these comrades together holds true. In support of Aragorn, Legolas and Gimli fight beside each other through hardship and peril, despite their differences. Yet their greatest challenges are yet to come, as they enter this war alone and vastly outnumbered.



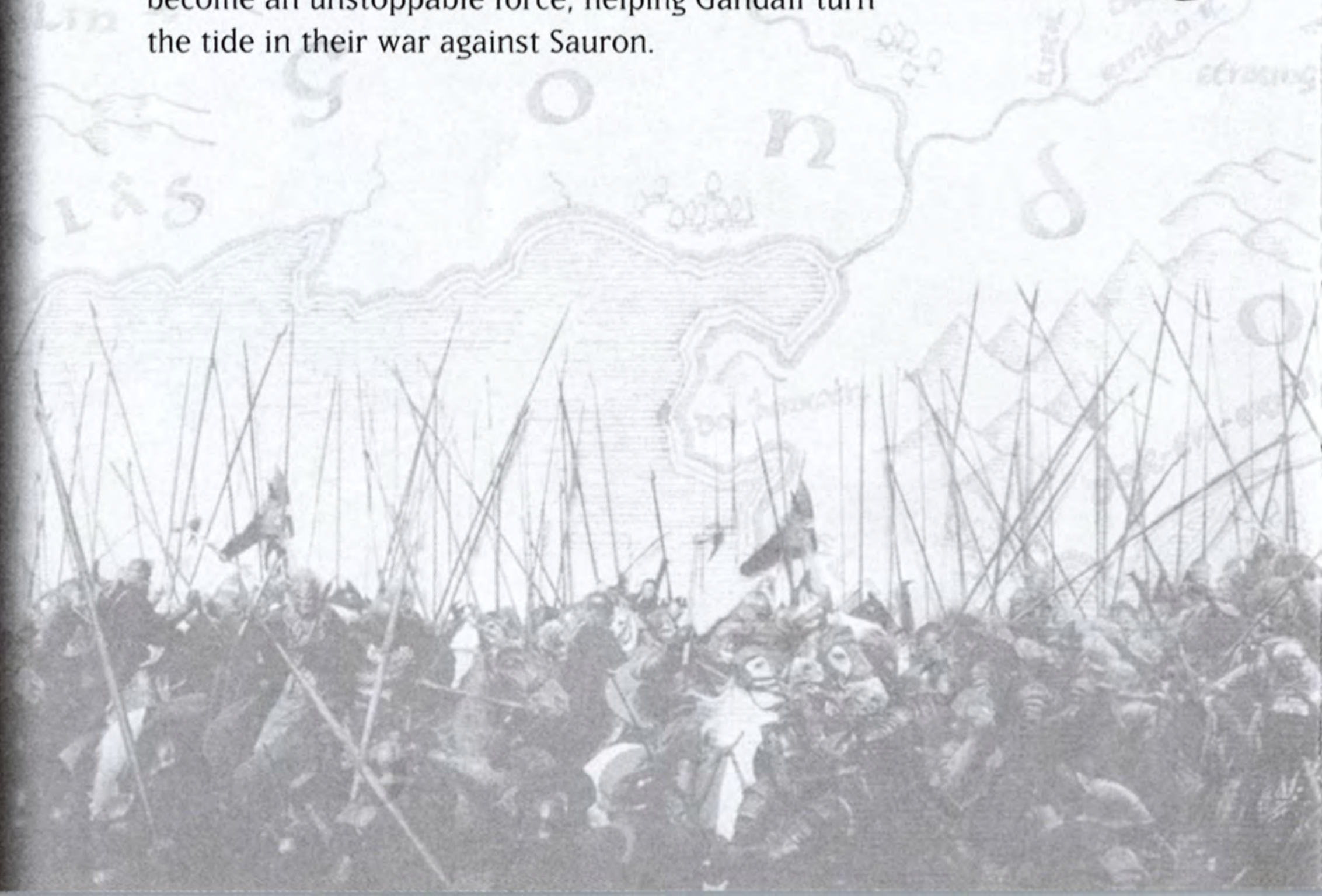
As a fighter, Legolas' skill with matched blades has won him the respect of his friends. But it is the bow of Legolas that will often turn the tide of battle, his deadly accuracy stopping foes in their tracks. Legolas risks his immortality in the cause of all free Men, and he will not permit Aragorn or Gimli to go on without him – to whatever end.

GIMLI

As sturdy in spirit as he is in stature, Gimli the Dwarf is a formidable warrior. His skill with his weapons and his unflappable spirit earn for him a strong and unlikely bond with Aragorn and Legolas. Despite the distrust between Elf and Dwarf, all three of these warriors share a deep admiration for each other, forged in the fires of combat.



Armed with axes and the sheer force of his will, Gimli can quickly defeat enemies nearly twice his size. His ferocity in combat is a perfect compliment to the swordplay of Aragorn and the bow skill of Legolas. Together these companions intend to become an unstoppable force, helping Gandalf turn the tide in their war against Sauron.



Frodo

In the final days of the War of the Ring, the fate of all Middle-earth rests in the hands of Frodo Baggins. Now upon the most difficult part of his long journey, Frodo and his trusted companion Sam at last approach the devastated land of Mordor, home of The Dark Lord Sauron. With every step taken toward that fell place, the burden upon Frodo grows heavier.



Relentlessly pursued by Ringwraiths mounted upon huge flying beasts, Frodo and Sam must trust Gollum, if they hope to find safe passage through the encircling Orc forces. While huge armies rage around them, these two small hobbits must never falter, for failure will bring about the ruin of the world.

Sam

Often the unlikely may become the great heroes, and Sam Gamgee is destined to become the greatest hero of all. Every step taken by a weary and worn Frodo brings these two hobbits closer to Mount Doom and the fulfillment of their quest. Sam is always at Frodo's side, his unswerving loyalty and conviction of heart giving them hope, despite the seeming impossibility of their task and the odds against their success.



Sam is a warrior created by necessity, determined, ferocious and deadly despite his small size. His quick thinking and ability to use stealth to his advantage must get him – and Frodo – out of some very tight spots. Yet Sam's greatest strength is his love for his friend and his commitment to see things through.



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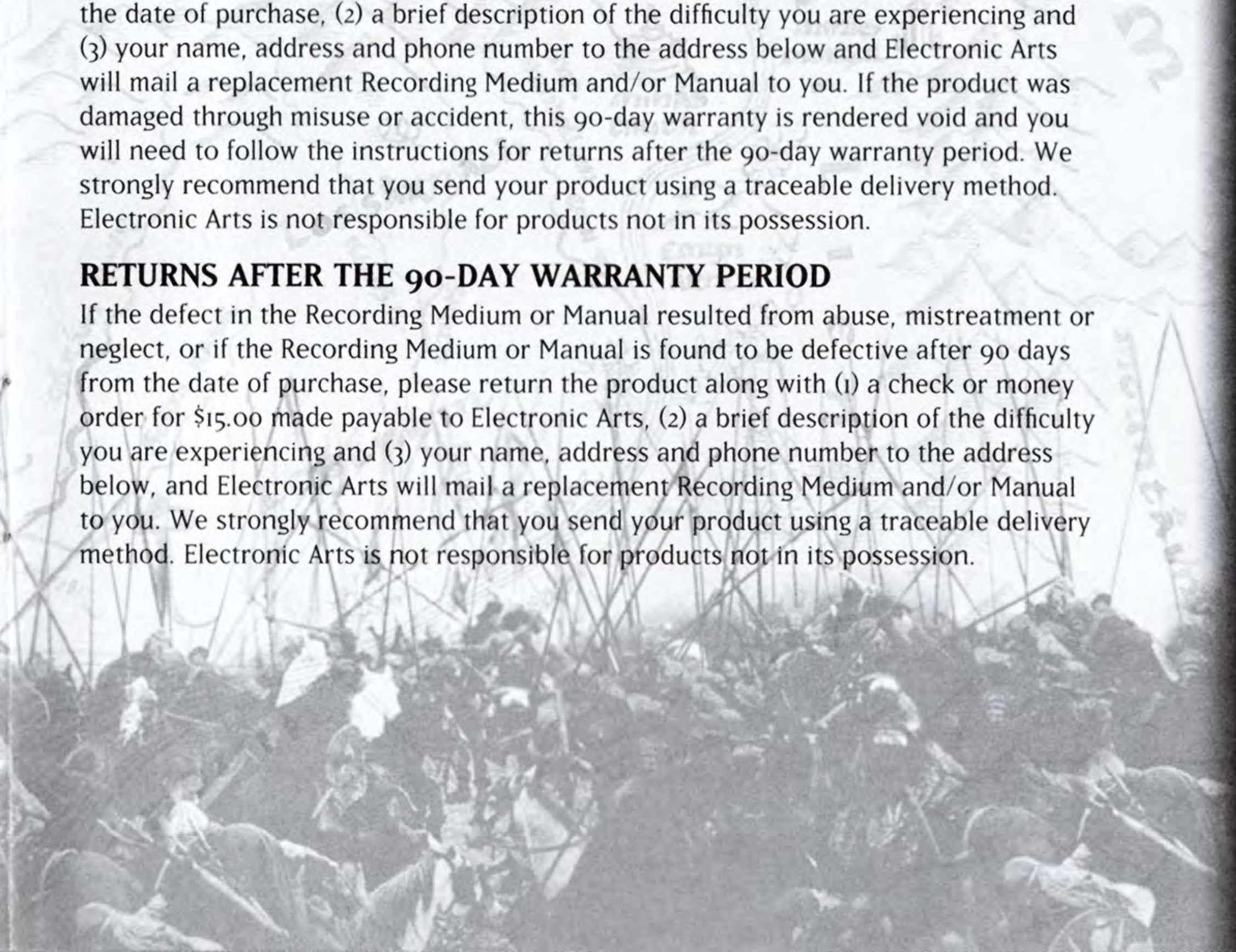
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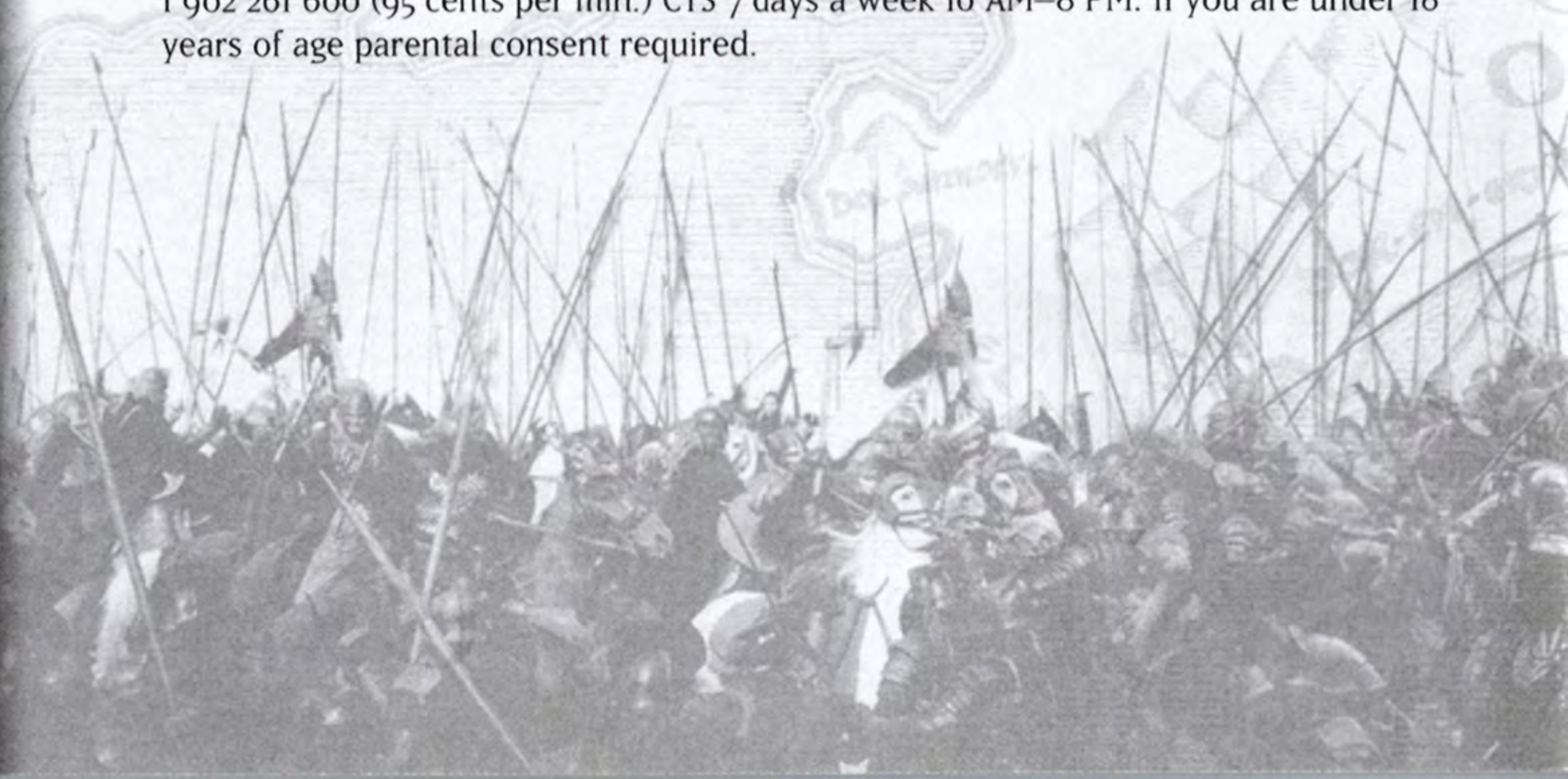
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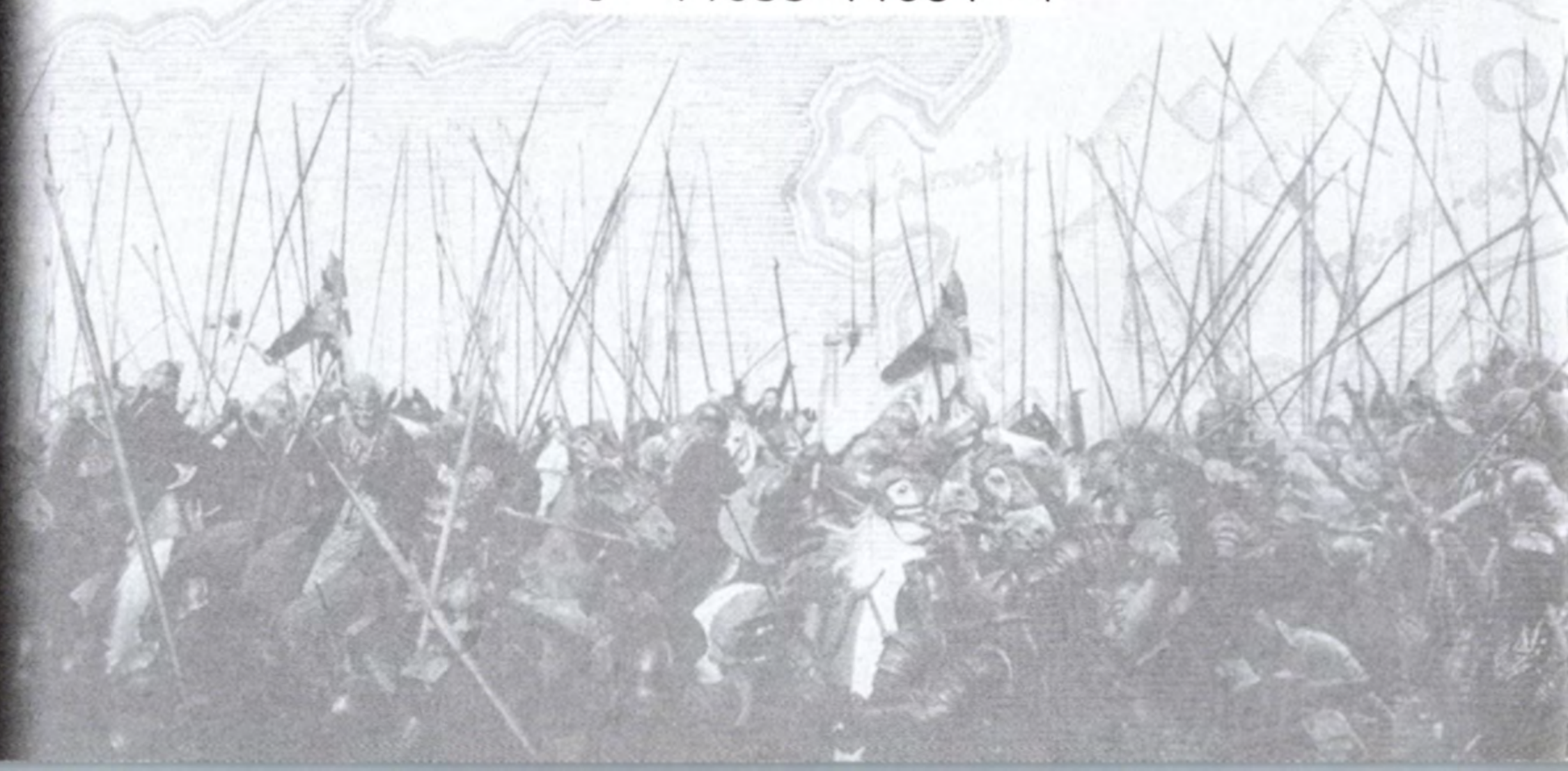


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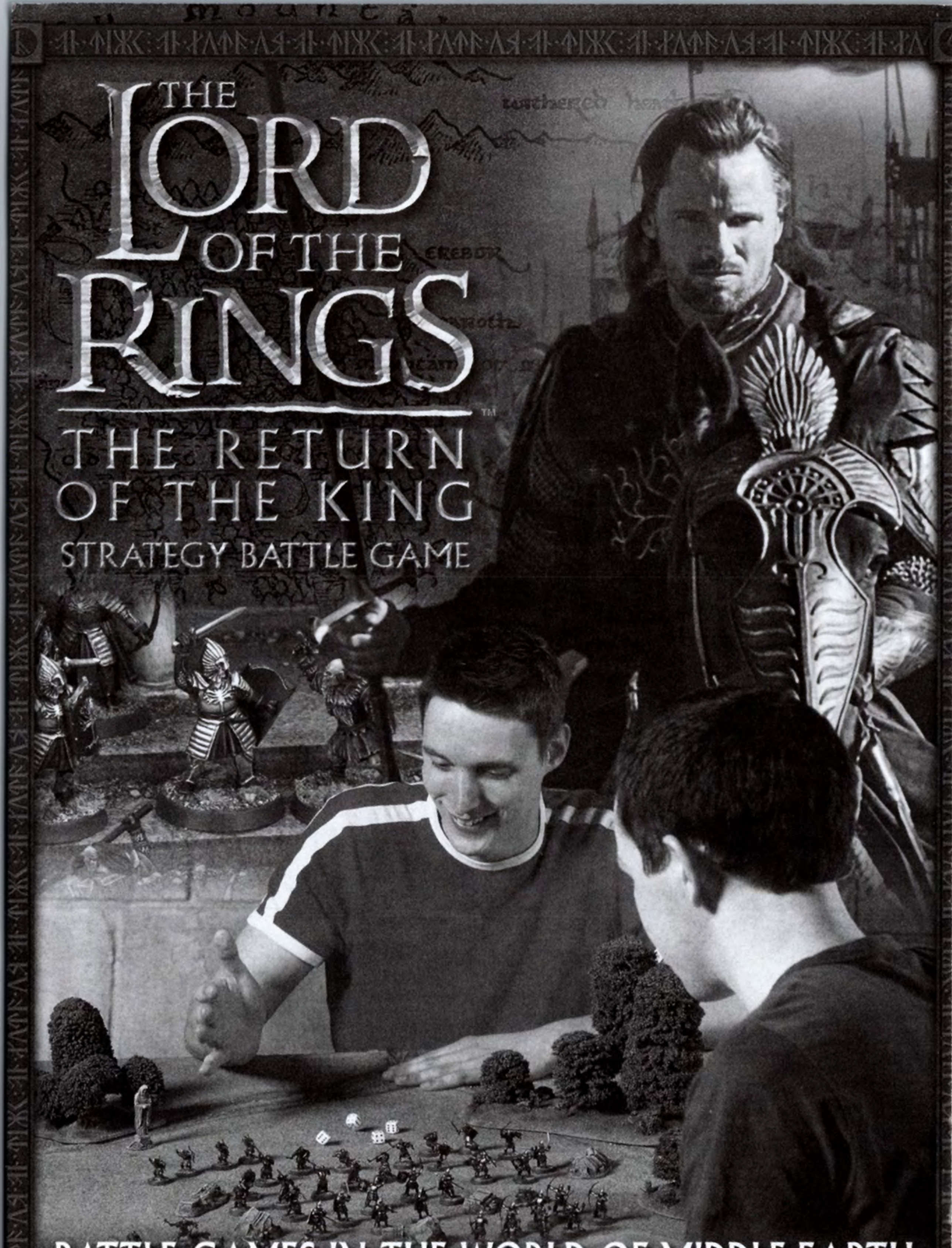
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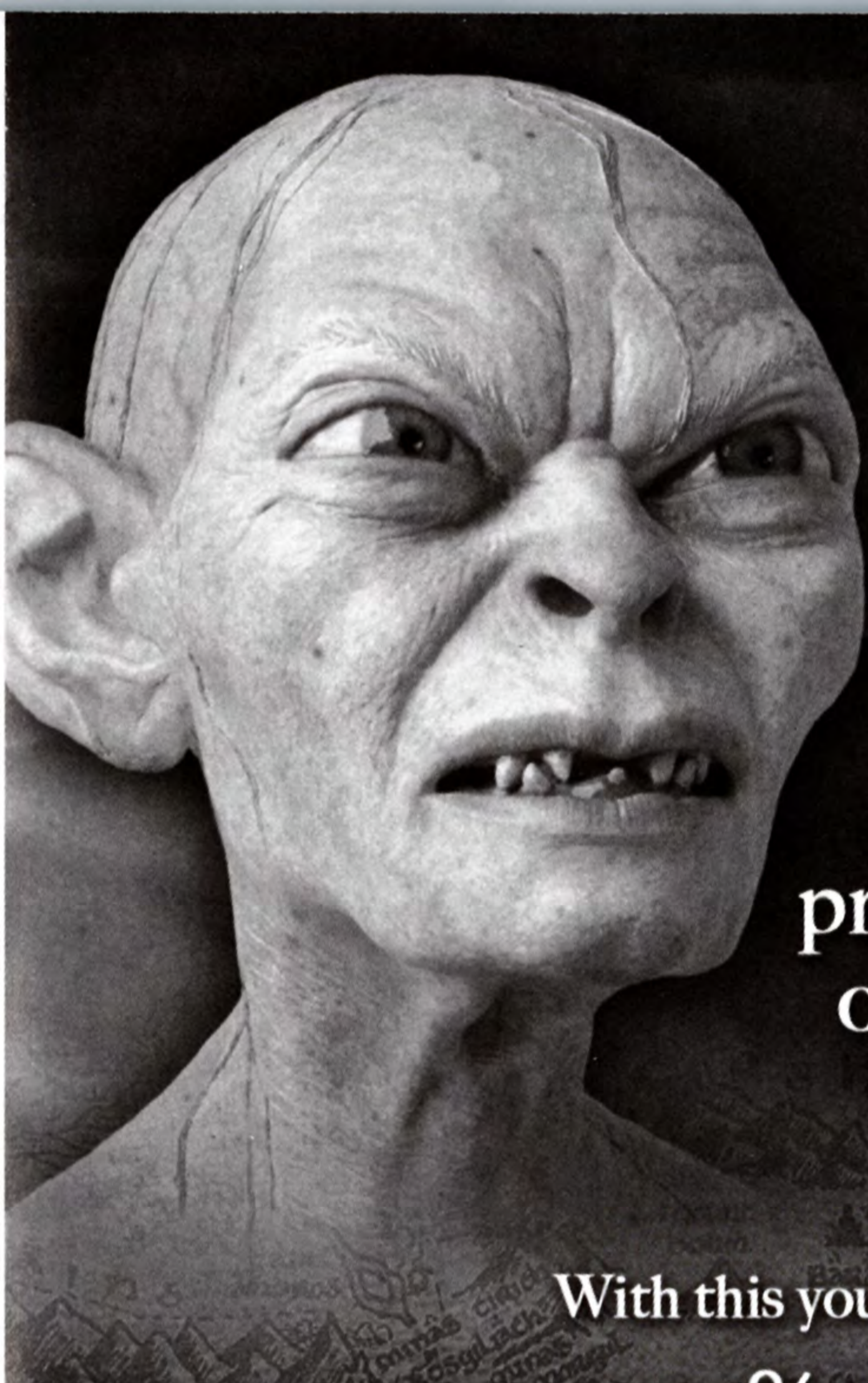
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