



In a recent *New York Times* [interview](#) Adm. (ret) William McRaven shared the books that have most influenced his thinking throughout his military career. He offered the following list:

[On War](#) by Carl von Clausewitz

[The Art of War](#) by Sun Tzu

[The Command of the Air](#) by Giulio Douhet

[\*The Influence of Sea Power on History\*](#) by Alfred Thayer Mahan

Finally, he singles out [\*Scipio Africans: Greater than Napoleon\*](#) by B. H. Liddell Hart as the book that most influenced him as a special operations officer.

If *The New York Times* interviewed you, what books would you say were the most influential to you?

Share this:

- [Email](#)
- [Twitter](#)
- [Facebook](#)
- [LinkedIn](#)
- [Pinterest](#)