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[01:00:45.27]

The United States Army presents the Big Picture

[01:00:57.11]

Map

[01:01:04.19]

Shots of soldiers from each branch of the service, Korean, South Vietnamese, Australian/New Zealander

[01:01:19.20]

Troops in formation

[01:01:59.23]

Officer talking, shots of soldiers at attention

[01:02:48.20]

Grass hut

[01:02:52.00]

Slate-"The Unique War" narrated by Commander Glen Ford, USNR

[01:02:59.08]

Glen Ford on screen

[01:03:43.02]

Photo of soldiers with a gun

[01:04:08.15]

Photo of tank, picture of chaplain, brief shot of picture of helicopter

[01:04:27.06]

Glen Ford on screen

[01:04:37.12]

Photo of helicopter, picture of soldiers wading through water up to their armpits

[01:05:04.11]

Photo of soldiers in rice fields, picture of soldiers, picture of soldiers and Vietnamese in field

[01:05:29.15]

Photo of soldiers preparing to give a shot to a young child on his mother's lap

[01:05:42.20]

Glen Ford on screen

[01:06:19.06]

Aerial footage of Vietnam--mountains and fields

[01:06:37.27]

Village in countryside

[01:07:00.20]

Vietnamese civilians, baby on mother's lap, woman in pain, man with hat

[01:07:11.18]

Graphic of Korea with movement of troops during Korean War

[01:07:37.14]

Demolished town--rubble and single walls left standing

[01:07:53.20]

Graphic of Vietnam, divided

[01:08:11.05]

Soldier on a boat, gunners, small boat with soldier and other men

[01:08:34.24]

Disembarking from a helicopter, running through field

[01:08:42.16]

Shooting across water, in a field, marching through rocky terrain, soldiers running in field

[01:08:55.05]

Vietnamese village scenes--woman with livestock, child walking in village, landscape with water, palm tree, boats, person in background

[01:09:20.24]

Village scenes--cow and people on other side of wire fence, woman taking down laundry, sweeping outside hut

[01:09:46.16]

Village scenes--Small child hitting snake with a stick, snake, person sifting something, getting water from well using bucket, hut with someone sitting in doorway

[01:10:14.28]

Village scenes--tending fire in hut, women chatting, cutting up food,

[01:10:45.01]

Village scene--woman carrying mat, group around cooking pot

[01:11:01.00]

Montage of soldiers boarding boat, loading weapons, taking off on a carrier, putting on helmet, removing chocks, 2 planes in the air

[01:11:35.07]

Soldiers passing along a wooden box, landscape with fires in the distance

[01:11:47.14]

dead body, village burning

[01:12:15.19]

Smoke coming off burned debris of town, dead bodies

[01:12:29.23]

Mother rocking baby in hammock through barred window,

[01:12:42.22]

General William Westmoreland and officers looking at maps, determining strategies

[01:13:17.06]

Officers looking at maps, explaining strategy

[01:13:33.21]

Troops arriving on trucks, walking towards helicopters, helicopters taking off

[01:13:58.00]

Tanks rolling, soldiers marching through village

[01:14:13.13]

Battleship, shooting

[01:14:23.13]

Plane takes off of carrier deck over water, naval gunfight

[01:14:36.02]

Aerial view of explosions, gunfight

[01:15:03.09]

Artillery fire, loading weapons, soldier with machine gun heading toward village

[01:15:41.06]

Helicopter, announcing impending airstrikes, people listening

[01:16:15.00]

Soldiers searching village

[01:16:41.03]

Soldier readies gun, jeep drives into village, soldiers continue to search village

[01:16:59.10]

Province (or District) Chief makes announcement to village, villagers line up to listen

[01:17:14.17]

Province Chief talks to villagers, shots of American soldiers smiling

[01:17:48.28]

Landscape of Vietnam

[01:18:09.00]

Vietnamese men fishing with nets, harvesting from tree, harvesting in rice patty

[01:18:36.26]

Village scenes--Vietnamese walking through village with buckets balanced on pole, man in hat

[01:18:51.07]

Village scenes--sewing, whittling

[01:19:10.05]

Village scene--young girl at home Catholic shrine

[01:19:21.04]

Place of worship in village, ringing bell to call children to church

[01:19:54.01]

Children singing in church, cross themselves

[01:20:14.11]

Soldier teaching group of Vietnamese children to count in English

[01:20:42.11]

Soldier giving out candy to Vietnamese children

[01:21:13.24]

Soldier making kids laugh by tossing candy in his mouth

[01:21:40.23]

Vietnamese women and children huddled together in a hut, soldiers and Vietnamese outside

[01:21:58.03]

Stockpile of sacks, soldiers loading sacks of (?) onto plane

[01:22:12.09]

Aerial views of river and fields with gun in foreground

[01:22:24.17]

Distributing food and supplies to Vietnamese

[01:23:00.24]

Continuing to distribute food and supplies to Vietnamese

[01:23:32.15]

Medical Aid for Vietnamese, dental, medical team

[01:24:02.01]

Doctor checking children, giving eye drops, checking ears

[01:24:29.02]

Checking the eyes of a Vietnamese man

[01:24:43.04]

Soldier showing children how to wash their hands, hair

[01:25:10.22]

Supply truck backing into village, construction materials, soldiers working alongside Villagers, painting

[01:25:38.20]

Painting, building, putting up a cross

[01:25:57.18]

Soldiers helping harvest rice

[01:26:23.12]

Soldier, villager looking at map, soldiers moving with filed, turning tank, holding mortar shells

[01:26:48.20]

Villagers around truck, extracting a tooth, bandaging a child, medical aid

[01:27:17.01]

Giving a shot, bandaging a wound, people looking on

[01:27:44.16]

Soldiers moving out, village

[01:28:03.29]

Glen Ford on screen

[01:28:29.20]

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[01:28:42.26]

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[01:29:00.06]

Soldiers walking through field and village, helicopter landing (LZ), Soldiers climbing down a hill

[01:29:23.12]

Montage of soldiers patrolling fields, rice patties, countryside, talking on phone, holding weapon

[01:29:52.10]

Soldier throws smoke bomb, helicopter lands, soldiers board helicopter, take off

[01:30:19.17]

Soldiers on helicopter, landing, soldiers in field, sweeping for mines, tank moving

[01:30:40.18]

Helicopter shooting, ground artillery, tanks firing

[01:30:55.12]

Instructor in front of troops

[01:31:22.12]

Training soldiers, soldiers run then take cover

[01:31:50.05]

Soldiers firing weapons on beach, reloading, shooting rifle, basic combat training

[01:32:22.27]

Training soldiers with BB guns and discs

[01:32:59.08]

Soldier shooting ground targets, M16 rifle training

[01:33:17.11]

Soldiers training in woods (Fort Riley, Kansas?)

[01:33:58.13]

United States Army Infantry School sign outside building at Fort Benning Georgia, instructor, students in classroom, soldiers moving barbed wire, piling sandbags

[01:34:31.11]

Soldiers practicing shooting, getting off air plane in Hang Khong, Vietnam, Sign "Lightning-- Mines, Boobytraps and Tunnel-Training Center" over dirt road, group of soldiers being lectured, sign "Devil Weapons of the Viet Cong,"

[01:35:00.12]

Shots of the ground, soldiers crossing stream on rope, repelling off a bridge, hanging from cable under helicopter, artillery training, Chinook helicopter landing, soldiers exiting helicopter

[01:35:41.24]

soldiers in combat, helicopters landing, soldiers running into field

[01:35:55.28]

soldiers setting concrete forms, soldier surrounded by Vietnamese children, at construction site, shot of mountain, aerial view of mountainside

[01:36:26.29]

gunner shooting out of helicopter, aerial view of treetops, looking out from inside helicopter (U81B), soldier looking at "chemical personnel detector," adjusting controls

[01:37:01.01]

Dog with transmitter on neck, dog running, soldier with transmitter in his hand

[01:37:25.09]

Railroad ambush detector, spot light on helicopter, "Fire Flies" in the air

[01:37:52.16]

Group of helicopters flying, Chinook with stuff hanging down, Huey Cobra shooting, Kiuse (?) helicopter

[01:38:30.05]

Rivereen warfare boats in Mekong Delta

[01:39:06.22]

barrack ships, armored transport ships moored at battleship, Monitor ships,

[01:39:31.13]

ships in river, barge mounted artillery shooting

[01:39:50.26]

Mekong Delta with ships, planes

[01:40:09.09]

LST troops unloading, flyers being distributed by helicopter, Vietnamese soldier setting up speakers, talking into microphone

[01:40:34.20]

Vietnamese in boats, group of Vietnamese men at tables

[01:40:52.19]

car with speakers on roof driving through village, Vietnamese on top of car speaking to children

[01:41:04.10]

Green Berets training Vietnamese on guns

[01:41:35.14]

Republic of Vietnam Revolutionary Development Program--Vietnamese in village, at market

[01:41:51.21]

Soldiers walking in brush, gunfire in field, soldiers with captured Vietnamese, rally with important looking people seated behind speaker, Vietnamese women and children walking through village

[01:42:23.01]

Sign--"Trai Trang-Sup III Corp CIOG Training Center" with jeep passing under sign, soldiers shooting, officers standing behind them

[01:42:41.09]

Sandbags surrounding village, information center, people inside, villagers walking, soldiers talking to Vietnamese

[01:43:00.11]

Various shots of tanks moving

[01:43:22.12]

Footage of river from boat, walking over a bridge, man with bullhorn, villagers with newspaper

[01:43:43.03]

Medical aid, villagers tying sticks together, instructor teaching children to sing

[01:43:57.12]

Officers at map

[01:44:18.06]

Army Province and district advisory teams talking

[01:44:32.18]

District senior advisor in classroom, villagers in line outside building

[01:44:47.23]

Dentist looks at women's teeth, construction vehicles

[01:45:05.08]

Soldiers distributing clothing and food

[01:45:22.10]

Construction site, villagers on dock, soldier bundling harvest, medical assistance

[01:45:37.12]

Children refugees, surgery, building a well and sewer system

[01:45:59.03]

Child taking a shower, soldiers passing bag of rice to truck, distributing to villagers, serving food to child

[01:46:22.16]

Flying Crane helicopter with bridge span

[01:46:45.00]

Land clearing platoons clearing trees

[01:47:09.20]

Construction of buildings

[01:47:37.07]

Aerial view of base

[01:47:54.03]

Forklift on base, aerial view of river near Saigon

[01:48:23.04]

Newport complex (near Saigon)

[01:48:35.24]

Construction of trusses at Cameron Bay,

[01:48:49.10]

Off loading containers from ship

[01:49:24.00]

Ships docked, containers being moved

[01:49:32.29]

Uses for containers-dispensaries, offices, supply rooms and command posts

[01:49:53.06]

Red Ball Express containers, plane being loaded for shipment to Travis Air Force Base, CA

[01:50:20.26]

Sorting cargo, 14th Inventory Control Center computers

[01:50:45.24]

Aerial view of Army Medical services

[01:51:05.25]

Helicopter with Red Cross landing, loading with injured, taking off, flying

[01:51:34.04]

Air hoist, forest penetrator evacuating wounded

[01:52:01.18]

Soldiers on field, carrying supplies, on phone, marching

[01:52:30.13]

Soldiers mugging for camera, shots around camp, in field looking at charts

[01:52:54.22]

Tank fires, helicopter fires, med evac helicopter,

[01:53:11.23]

Soldiers in dress uniform (smiling) climbing onto Pan Am plane, sign-"Aloha R&R Hawaii" at Fort Derussy Hawaii, climbing into an outboard canoe, chaplain giving communion

[01:53:37.01]

"Army Community Service Center-Self-Help Service and Stability" sign, counselor talking with someone at desk

[01:53:52.00]

Soldiers talking, getting haircut, cleaning gun, soldiers with Vietnamese

[01:54:17.12]

Montage of running, shooting from helicopter and ground

[01:54:45.03]

loading weapons, giving medical aid, gunner looking out of helicopter, soldier on ground, US flag flying

[01:55:10.21]

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