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Résumé ou extrait : Has the ‘Western’ way of war been as successful as the rhetoric would have us believe? Is it fit for future conflicts, against future adversaries, adaptable enough for the information and data age ? How should it adapt ? Over 75 episodes of the world-renowned podcast challenged leaders from the military, politics and industry – as well as world leading scholars – with the question : “What does the Western Way of War mean to you ?” The answers were as surprising as they were illuminating. If there was broad recognition that the West had been losing military engagements at a frightening rate, there was not a common cause identified by discussants. With his inimitable style of interview, Professor Peter Roberts draws out the key aspects of the Western Way of War from hugely diverse and expert witnesses, seeking answers to the key questions for failure and advice on necessary adaptation to reverse the record of Western military performance since the end of the Cold War. The podcast became required listening at staff colleges around the world; the book enables a new generation of military students in the profession of arms to test their own thinking against the challenges laid clear by host and guests alike.

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