

# Tom Clancy Can Beat Agent Frank Jones: The Rivalry That Changed Espionage Fiction

Tom Clancy and Agent Frank Jones are two of the most iconic characters in espionage fiction. For years, readers have debated who would win in a fight between these two legendary spies. Now, in this explosive new book, we finally have the answer.

*Tom Clancy Can Beat Agent Frank Jones* is a meticulously researched account of the rivalry between these two titans of the genre. The book draws on interviews with Clancy's and Jones's friends, family, and colleagues, as well as a close examination of their published works.



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The result is a fascinating and revealing portrait of two very different men who shared a common passion: espionage. Clancy was a former U.S. Navy officer who brought a wealth of real-world experience to his writing.

Jones, on the other hand, was a career intelligence officer who used his insider knowledge to create some of the most realistic and suspenseful spy novels ever written.

Despite their different backgrounds, Clancy and Jones had a mutual respect for each other's work. They were both masters of the craft of espionage fiction, and they both understood the importance of authenticity and realism.

However, there was also a competitive spirit between the two men. Clancy was always eager to prove that he was the better writer, and Jones was equally determined to show that he was the more knowledgeable spy.

This rivalry came to a head in 1989, when Clancy published *The Cardinal of the Kremlin*. The novel was a runaway bestseller, and it cemented Clancy's status as the king of espionage fiction. Jones was furious. He felt that Clancy had stolen his thunder, and he vowed to get revenge.

Jones's revenge came in the form of *The Hunt for Red October*. The novel was an instant classic, and it introduced the world to Agent Frank Jones. Jones was everything that Clancy's Jack Ryan was not: he was ruthless, amoral, and willing to do whatever it took to get the job done.

The rivalry between Clancy and Jones continued for years. They traded barbs in the media, and they each tried to outdo the other with their latest books. In the end, it was Clancy who had the last laugh. He died in 2013, but his legacy lives on. He is still considered one of the greatest espionage writers of all time.

Agent Frank Jones, on the other hand, faded into obscurity. He never achieved the same level of success as Clancy, and his books are now largely forgotten. But for a brief time, he was Clancy's equal. He was the one man who could stand toe-to-toe with the master of espionage fiction.

*Tom Clancy Can Beat Agent Frank Jones* is a must-read for fans of espionage fiction. It is a fascinating and revealing look at the rivalry between two of the genre's greatest writers.



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