



## The Battle of Königgrätz in 1866: The Triumph of Maneuver in Europe's First Modern War (Paperback)

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