

Chapter 17 – The Central Pacific Drive

1. Where were the 3 Japanese naval anchorages in the South and Central Pacific?
2. What was the major problem when the US forces tried to land on Tarawa?
3. Whose death on the first day of Tarawa hurt the Japanese and why did it hurt them?
4. What gave MacArthur the ammunition to try and block the Navy's "Island Hopping" campaign?
5. Where did *Newsweek* claim the Navy won the most brilliant victory in the Pacific and the media became to realize what?
6. What did the story by the Associated Press on 28 January say about the conditions of prisoners of Bataan and Corregidor and how many died at the 2 prison camps?
7. What made the Eniwetok Atoll important once it was in American hands?
8. Where was the original place that the Joint Staff wanted to station the B-29's to bomb Japan and where was the other option that Admiral King favored?

Chapter 18 – Submarine Warfare

1. What was the major problem for submarine captains after the US signed the 1930 London Naval Arms Limitation Treaty?
2. What was the most serious and persistent problem for US submarines and why was it not found in testing?
3. How many American subs did not return home from their patrol during the war?
4. What types of ships were the primary targets for Japanese subs, what equipment did they lack that proved to be disastrous, what did Vice Adm. Teruhisa Komatsu announce for subs and what did this do to them?
5. What was "SpyRon" short for and what was their main job?
6. Why could O'Kane and the other prisoners from the Tang, take their beating with less prejudice?
7. How many Allied POW's were accidentally killed in a 6 week period by US subs?
8. What percentage of Japanese ships was lost to American subs?

Chapter 19 – The Netherlands New Guinea

1. What chance discovery by the Australian military accelerated the Admiralties attack?
2. What was the argument between MacArthur and Halsey about in regards to Seeadler Harbor?
3. MacArthur knew that it is the perception of the public that really counts in what?
4. How did the attack on Saipan help MacArthur's forces in Geelvink Bay?

Chapter 20 – The Marianas

1. Saipan was compared to what in terms of Japanese military importance?
2. The US, Britain, and China agreed at the Cairo Conference that Japan would lose what and who would gain what?
3. During the Tehran Conference, Joseph Stalin recognized the importance of what about the US?
4. What 4 ways was the Marianas operation beneficial for the US war efforts?
5. What created the loudest explosion in the Pacific's army-navy rivalry?
6. After the fall of Saipan, what did locals on the island do?
7. After the fall of Saipan, what was the reaction back in Japan by the government and knowledgeable Japanese?
8. How did the Marianas prove more valuable than Adm. King had envisioned?

Chapter 21 – The Philippines vs. Formosa Debate

1. What was Adm. King's reasoning for taking Formosa and to bypass the Philippines?
2. When did the US Navy recognize that the Pacific Fleet didn't need Manila Bay anymore?

3. Why did Luzon have little if any military value in the continuing war against Japan?
4. Was MacArthur's drive to capture the Philippines more militarily motivated or morally/politically motivated?
5. When and where did the Combined Chiefs approve the invasion of Japan?
6. Why didn't Adm. King want the British Royal Navy in the Pacific War?
7. The US news media made what words famous and it referred who doing what?
8. Where did the Japanese Imperial General Headquarters believe would be their last opportunity to destroy the US Fleet?

Chapter 22 – Ulithi

1. What divided the public's attention in the fall of 1944?
2. Why didn't the Joint Chief of Staff comment about the Japanese destroying codebooks when they originally learned about it?
3. What campaign issue did Dewey and the Republicans fail to exploit and what was Dewey's primary campaign issue?
4. Why did General Stilwell's dismissal mark the beginning of the end for Chiang Kai-shek?
5. What was the only diversion from clear, steadfast military strategy?
6. Why were Angaur and Peleliu islands taken and what role did they play on the invasion of Leyte?
7. Why was Ulithi so important for the US Navy?
8. What was the kaiten and when was it first used?

Chapter 23 – Leyte Gulf

1. Before the attack on Leyte Gulf, where did Halsey's planes attack to deceive and destroy Japanese land based planes?
2. What mistakes did the Japanese imperial headquarters make in their predictions about when the US would attack the Philippines and why?
3. What day and time did MacArthur return to the Philippines and make his iconic speech?
4. What was Sho-Go and what did it consist of?
5. How did US submarine the *Darter* and the *Dace* learn about the impending US invasion of the Philippines?
6. What did Adm. Halsey do during the battle that could have jeopardized the battle and why did he do it?
7. Why didn't Kurita continue with his fleet to Leyte Gulf?
8. The Japanese defeat at the battle of Leyte Gulf assured what for Japan?